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"BOB" FITZSIMMONS CONFIDENTLY DECLARES: 'I WILL KNOCK OUT MR. O'BRIEN'

Fitz at His Training Camp Trying to Teach His Dogs to Spar.

Conqueror of Corbett and Sharkey Tells the American He Has "the Punch" Still, and Will Apply It at the Proper Moment to the Philadelphian in To-morrow Night's Ring Battle.

Bob Fitzsimmons, the "grand old man" of the ring, in answer to a telegram sent him by the BOSTON AMERICAN, writes Tad his views on to-morrow's heavyweight battle with Jack O'Brien. Here is what Fitz says:

By Robert Fitzsimmons.

CROLL'S GARDENS, ALAMEDA, Dec. 19.

Sporting Editor, BOSTON AMERICAN:—In answer to your telegrams asking me for my side of the story concerning condition and knockers, I am only too glad to wire you these few lines.

Certain sporting writers have been knocking me ever since my fight with Jack Dempsey years ago, down South, and to this day they cannot see where I figure in any fight in which I participate. Even though they do laugh at my condition I have always sprung a surprise party on the other fellow, and this is no exception. Jack O'Brien will go out this time hunting for squirrels, but will find a mammoth awaiting him.

Jim Corbett thought he had a cinch with me; so did Tom Sharkey; so did Ruhlin and Gardner. I am always a winner, however, and until I am stowed away by Father Time you can safely say that the other fellow will have to fight to beat me.

I will knock out Mr. O'Brien.

He Knows O' Brien

Mr. O'Brien's friends seem to think that Jack has youth and speed on me, and that I won't be able to go more than fifteen rounds at the pace he sets. I will say right here that Mr. O'Brien couldn't put me out with a bludgeon, if both my hands and feet were tied. I have fought him before, and know just what he has in this line. When we met in Philadelphia I was in very poor shape. Not wishing to excuse myself, I will say that he caught me napping there, and had the fight fixed at two weeks' notice. I hardly had time to get warmed up at all, but at that I had him so bad that his friends, the police, stopped the fight to save him. In the first round or so he jabbed me some and bled my nose, but I was never dazed nor weak. If his youth was to stand by him, it is very strange that in six rounds he couldn't even outpoint me.

I went right after him in the second, and the beating he got about the body weakened him so that he continually slipped to the floor for wind, and once went outside the ropes into the audience. I am too strong for him altogether, and have no more fear of his jab than I have of a barber. He is one of the weakest hitters I have ever met, and is fast for one or two rounds, but after that will be a plaything in my hands.

I will knock out Mr. O'Brien. I won't say how long it will take me, but state emphatically that I will knock him out, and that my punches to the body will take the fight out of him long before the tenth round. If I beat him when out of condition, what will I do in the grand shape that I am in at present?

When I met Gardner out here two years ago I had a cold in my back and was in poor physical shape. Now I have taken it easy and am as fast as I ever was, and when I let myself out in the ring you will see that shadow O'Brien fade away.

Tell my friends that I am the same

ROBERT FITZSIMMONS.

For Naughton's review of to-morrow's ring battle see Page 7.

Imperial Treasures Sent Secretly From Russia

CZAR READY TO FLEE

Spread of Revolution Throughout Empire Causes Preparation for Escape of Emperor.

ST. PETERSBURG, via Eydtkuhnen, Dec. 19.—Rumors are current that the Czar and the royal family are preparing to flee from Russia.

The crown jewels, it is said, have already been sent abroad. For months the Czar has been quietly sending his personal property and valuables out of the country, in readiness for the flight that he fears must come sooner or later.

The chief comptroller of the imperial household, Privy Councillor Feodroff, is even now on his way to London, bearing a fabulous treasure in gold coin and jewels, part of the Czar's private fortune, which will be deposited in the vaults of the Bank of England to await his order.

The crown jewels alone represent millions. They belong to the Czar, as does everything else in Russia, according to the theory of autocracy.

Plans Closely Guarded.

That the revolutionary leaders will make every effort to prevent this flight seems certain. They know that the future of Russia is more assured with the Czar dead than with a living Czar—even in exile.

The plans for the Czar's flight are, of course, a profound secret. The only conjecture that his enemies can make is that he will try to leae on some German vessel, several of which, it is understood, have been started for Russia to carry German citizens to places of safety.

The esituation is growing more critical hourly.

Riga is in flames. The troops have joined the rebels and the town is being bombarded.

Between St. Petersburg and Wirballen, the station on the frontier, the flames from the burning capital of Livonia could be seen by passengers on the trains.

In Mittau, the capital of the neighboring province of Courland, twenty-seven miles from Riga, fighting has raged in the streets for hours, and at least three hundred persons have been killed.

At Lennewarden, in southern Livonia, the revolutionists liberated all the prisoners, shot the assistant district governor, M. Peterson, and his secretary, and threw their bodies into the river.

Arrests Continue.

Over 200 members of the executive com-

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TO PROSECUTE WALSH FOR $26,000,000 CRASH

AUTHORITIES INVESTIGATE TRIPLE BANK FAILURE THAT RUINED FINANCIER.

By Boston American Leased Wire.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—John R. Walsh and the officers of the insolvent banks—the Chicago, the Home Savings and Equitable Trust—face certain prosecution at the hands of the National and State authorities, as the result of the $26,000,000 failure of these institutions.

National Bank Examiner Bosworth, who by the irony of fate is a discharged employe of John R. Walsh, and whose inside information as to the banker's methods made the work of investigation comparatively easy, has laid the facts in the case before United States District Attorney Morrison. Mr. Morrison is expected to reach a decision as to what action he will take within less than forty-eight hours. A new federal grand jury will be in session beginning to-day.

The State Bank Examiners already have partly reported the results of their investigation to State Auditor McCullough, and he to-day will lay the case before Attorney General Stead.

States Attorney Healy will, in all probability start an investigation to-day. He has as yet given no personal attention to the case, but it was generally understood in his office that the minute any violation of law is found, that instant will the machine of the law be put in operation.

Financial King no Longer.

Walsh is no longer the financial king—the Thomas F. Ryan—of the West. His three banks are in the hands of the quasi receiver. Walsh, who but forty-eight hours ago was looked upon as the second richest man in Chicago, is now in danger of losing his personal liberty.

The Chicago National Bank, the Home Savings Bank and the Equitable Trust Company, were caught in the act of juggling their funds. John R. Walsh was the head of these institutions. They carried deposits exceeding twenty millions of dollars. It was believed that the Chicago National Bank, next to the First National Bank, and the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank, was the strongest institution West of New York.

It is done for.

In the manipulation of bank figures, Walsh's cashier, Jackson, and his first vice president, F. M. Blount, stand with this old man now within the shadow of criminal prosecution.

It was a bold play that the former newsboy made. It was a success for a time, but it left him within sight of the bars. The State and Federal examiners always came at different times. When the State examiners were in the Trust Company it was easy to shift some of the bank's securities thither. When the Federal examiners came he simply reversed the operation.

Last week the Federal and State examiners came at the same time.

The trickery was exposed.

Bankers Avert Panic.

That Chicago escaped a panic, that the financial revolutions which took place in this city to-day did not shake and shock every centre of commerce on this globe, was due solely to the heroic efforts of the other Chicago bankers

FITZGERALD STUDIES PLAN OF M'CLELLAN

Boston Mayor-Elect Looking for Suggestions to Improve Hub's Revenue System.

Mayor-elect John F. Fitzgerald is delving in New York to find a way to increase the revenues of Boston outside of the money that is collected for taxes.

So says a New York dispatch.

With that idea in mind, Mr. Fitzgerald, with a copy of Mayor George B. McClellan's last annual message under his arm, sought the office of Comptroller Grout. There he asked Mr. Grout to show him how revenues were collected in New York. Mr. Grout showed him, but whether or not these methods can be applied to Boston Mr. Fitzgerald did not say.

Fitzgerald Likes McClellan.

Mr. Fitzgerald likes Mayor McClellan. He said so when he was interviewed after coming from the Mayor's office and getting the copy of the message. "I am going to study this document pretty carefully," he said, holding up the volume, "and I expect to get many valuable suggestions from it.

"New York and Boston ought to be pretty closely allied, and to my mind there are many subjects that might be discussed by the Mayors of the two cities that would be of great mutual advantage to these municipalities.

"Take traffic facilities, for instance. All routes between them, both rail and water, are controlled by one corporation. The result is that we have a miserable service by rail and no all water route at all. By rail we have a six-hour service, the same as we had fifteen or twenty years ago. There is a five-hour service, too, but if you want to use it you have to pay an extra fare of $2. Contrast this with your connections with Philadelphia, and then figure out the loss in trade to Boston.

"As to the water routes, the situation is even worse. I believe that the traffic would warrant an all water route to Boston. I believe a canal should be dug across Cape Cod."

Mr. Fitzgerald will probably return to Boston before Saturday.

6 DEAD, 20 HURT IN BLAST NEAR WALDORF

BIG NEW YORK HOTEL SHAKEN BY PREMATURE DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Six men were killed, several of them blown to pieces and twenty more injured in an explosion to-day in the Altman building at the corner of Fifth avenue and Thirty-fourth street, opposite the Waldorf Astoria.

Fragments of the body of one man were found two places, one of them 500 feet distant, where a human arm was picked up across the street from the building in front of a florists shop, part of a human skull and the fragment of a human body was found.

Blown Out Sixty Feet.

The body of one man was blown sixty feet out of the excavation to the top of an engine house. Another man was blown fifty feet back in the excavation and crushed to death. Twenty men who were working in the excavation were badly injured.

The known injured:

LYNNE, JEFF., No. 452 West Fifty-fourth street, internal injuries.
McCOY, C. F., No. 25 West Sixty-seventh street, scalp wounds.
McKENNA, JOSEPH, No. 410 Johnson avenue, Jersey City, scalp wounds and internal injuries.
ROPER, FRED, No. 131 Stockholm street, Brooklyn, left leg broken, contusions.
THOMPSON, RICHARD, No. 132 West Fifty-second street, severe scalp wounds.

The work of excavating for the new building was being performed by the O'Rourke Construction Company, and large gangs of men had been employed night and day. A premature explosion of dynamite caused the disaster.

The greatest excitement was aroused throughout the neighborhood which occupied by many fashionable residents. S violent was the explosion that the force the shock the tables and windows of th Waldorf Astoria.

Immediately after the explosion w heard half a dozen policemen ran from directions to the scene. They rushed i the excavation, which was filled with gr clouds of smoke and dust which impede their progress toward getting at the injured men.

The first man they got to was Frederick Roper. He was found under a pile of debris and the police had to dig him out with shovels.

The six surgeons who responded to the hurry call from police headquarters found their hands full.

The second of the seriously injured to be found was C. F. McCoy. He also was buried under a heap of rock and dirt and had to be extricated.

McCoy was working next to Roper when the blast went off. He was thrown high in the air. A piece of the drill struck him on the head, causing severe scalp wounds.

Score of Physicians at Work.

While the hospital surgeons were attending the injured sixty feet below the surface, a score of physicians were devoting their attention to the injured who were carried to the surfact. Workmen with blood streaming from their hands and face lay groaning on the sidewalk.

At the time of the explosion Thir fourth street and Fifth avenue was a busiest hour. Cars were crowded. pedestrians on their way to business ed Fifth avenue and the cross stre

JACK LONDON TO FACE HUB PEOPLE TONIGHT

Author of Varied and Strenuous Experiences to Appear at Tremont Temple.

SUBJECT, 'THE REVOLUTION'

Jack London, press agent of "The Strenuous Life," a theory in many sermons and two administrations, copyrighted by Theodore Roosevelt in the third year of the reign of the Big Stick, is in Boston, and will talk to-night in Tremont Temple on "The Revolution." Jack London has done many things in his life, now in the wilds of Alaska, now a college student in California, again following the armies in Manchuria as a war correspondent, or tramping with tramps for material to put into books on sociology, and writer of fiction which is the most virile ever turned out by an American writer—this Jack London who has done many things and done them all so capitally, is to make his debut to a Boston audience as a lecturer. It is safe, therefore, to say that Jack London, lecturer, will be as successful as he has been in all other roles.

Man of Action.

Jack London does things. When he writes books the people in them are moving, living, working human beings, with all the crudities, as well as the polish, guilty of all of the injustices as well as the noble and forgiving acts of which men and women in this day and generation are capable. London seems to have taken the advice of Goethe and has lived the life of his time in order to fully know life in all its phases, in order to know himself.

And what has been the result? Jack London has written down from time to time certain facts of life and experience. He has been a reporter in the best and biggest sense of the word.

Boston to-night will hear a new Jack London, a man who, though still living and preaching and writing about the energetic life, the vigorous and efficient and fighting life, has now from the depths of his many-sided experiences evolved certain conclusions, certain opinions as to the right way to do away with the present social, political and economic inequalities and injustices.

Preaching Socialism.

Jack London is preaching Socialism. He believes in it. He is preaching it from the lecture platform and through books. He is going before the young college men of the United States, who admire him and his creations of fiction tremendously, and talking to them of the good that he thinks will come if the thinking, the educated young students of to-day, the rulers of to-morrow will study and help to put into practice, rationally, Socialism.

Mr. London is assured of a great audience to-night. There has been a large advance sale of seats.

Mr. London will speak on Thursday night before the students of Harvard University in the living room of the Harvard Union, Cambridge, on the need of studying Socialism. There will be a final lecture by Mr. London in Faneuil Hall one week from to-night. Students from Harvard, Tufts, Boston University, Wellesley and Radcliffe and other Greater Boston colleges are especially invited by Mr. London to attend the Faneuil Hall meeting.

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CASTRO BACKS DOWN; VICTORY FOR FRANCE

PARIS, Dec. 19.—It is officially announced that at the meeting of the Council of Ministers to-day Premier Rouvier stated that the Franco-Venezuelan incident has been settled in accordance with the wishes of France. President Castro has withdrawn the offensive note to which France objected, and in this way a settlement has been brought about.

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nion Pacific	144	144¼
tah	54¼	55
lverine	134	134

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Atchison	86⅞	86½
Baltimore & Ohio	111⅜	111⅞
Brooklyn Transit	88⅞	88¾
Canadian Pacific	173	
Chicago, Great West	20½	20⅝
Colo. Fuel & Iron	56	57½
Erie	47	47½
Metropolitan	121	121½
Mexican Central	24¼	24⅜
Missouri Pacific	102	102
M., K. & Texas	36⅛	36¼
New York Central	147	147½
Norfolk & Western	84	84¼
Pennsylvania	140¼	140¼
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Reading	136⅞	136⅞
Rock Island	23¼	23¼
outhern Pacific	66⅞	66⅞
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e's Dublin bottled Guinness.

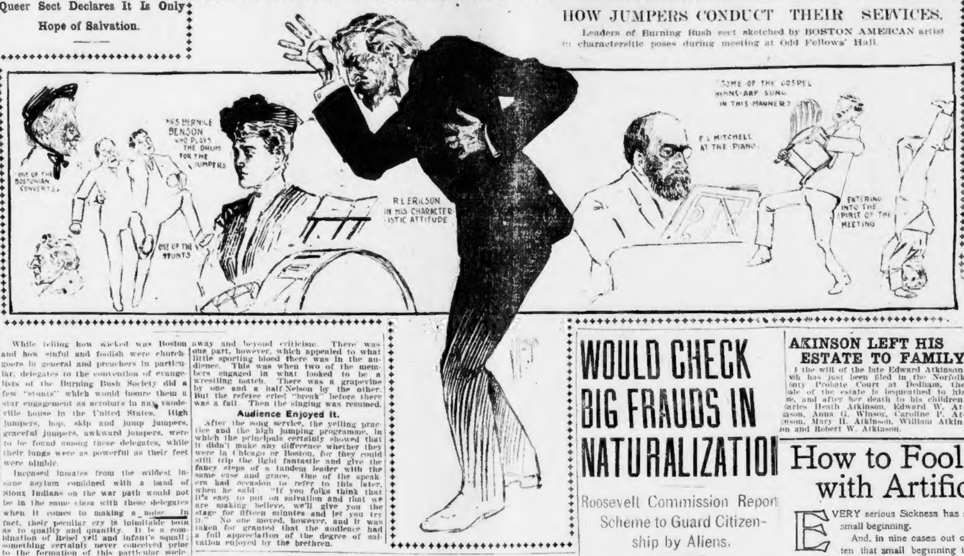
JUMP AND YELL OVER THE "SINS OF BOSTON"

BURNING BUSH LEADERS SAY WICKED CITY WILL SINK INTO PIT

Queer Sect Declares It Is Only Hope of Salvation.

HOW JUMPERS CONDUCT THEIR SERVICES.

Leaders of Burning Bush sect sketched by BOSTON AMERICAN artist in characteristic poses during meeting at Odd Fellows' Hall.


ONE OF THE BOSTONIAN CONVERTS
MRS BERNICE BENSON WHO PLAYS THE DRUM FOR THE JUMPERS
ONE OF THE STUNTS
R L ERICSON IN HIS CHARACTERISTIC ATTITUDE
SOME OF THE GOSPEL HYMNS ARE SUNG IN THIS MANNER?
F L MITCHELL AT THE PIANO
ENTERING INTO THE SPIRIT OF THE MEETING

While telling how wicked was Boston and how sinful and foolish were churchgoers in general and preachers in particular, delegates to the convention of evangelists of the Burning Bush Society did a few "stunts" which would insure them a star engagement as acrobats in any vaudeville house in the United States. High jumpers, hop, skip and jump jumpers, graceful jumpers, awkward jumpers, were to be found among these delegates, while their lungs were as powerful as their feet were nimble.

Incensed inmates from the wildest insane asylum combined with a band of Sioux Indians on the war path would not be in the same class with these delegates when it comes to making a noise. In fact, their peculiar cry is inimitable both as to quality and quantity. It is a combination of Rebel yell and infant's squall; something certainly never conceived prior to the formation of this particular society. It would be useless to secure a patent right on it. No one else would use it if he could.

It took a man from Chicago to tell just how wicked Boston was. He was a little excited at the time and his feet had gotten somewhat twisted, but this is what he said about this city: "Oh, Boston, situated on the coast and handy for suicide, and still nearer to the brimstone lake of the infernal regions than it is to the Atlantic ocean, the devil is just about to put his shoulders against old Faneuil Hall and shove the whole thing into the burning fires of hell."

Hall Still Stands.

And yet, the policeman on that beat after the statement did not make any report to the captain at the station that the time honored and famous old hall, "The Cradle of Liberty," had been demolished or pushed anywhere.

Shouting and yelling, fancy steps of all sorts and descriptions interspersed the address of the Chicago man. He could do more talking and more jumping at the same time than any of his fellows, hence his sobriquet of "leader." But there were several close seconds.

There was a man from old Kenencky who had small feet and who could jump high enough to show them to the last row in the audience. At the same time there was a sort of a charm about his elasticity that was interesting. In fact, the ease and grace with which he could bound in the air, give himself a sort of half whirl and come to the stage, safe and sound, was almost astonishing.

One of the features of the session was the attempt of an old lady to give her experiences. There were several testimonies before the aforementioned old lady arose. She looked weak of voice and before she began it was the general impression that she would not be heard. But alas and alack, the society had reckoned without its hosts when it thought to drown her out.

Old Lady Yelled Back.

While she was talking, in fact almost as soon as she had begun, several of the brethren would let off yells. At first she would stop when these yells broke forth. She afterwards gained wisdom and would yell in return. Then it was a case of scream against scream. She would not be downed. She could jump as gracefully and as high as she could when a girl, and she proposed to show it.

At the same time, her excitement was infectious. She started the convention to jumping and then there was a real good time. As a jumpfest it was literally a howling success. And when it had ended none of the jumpers seemed to be tired.

Beside this, however, there was another interesting proceeding. The society's quartette sang some of the society's songs. Be it understood that, from a musical standpoint, the efforts of the four men were away and beyond criticism. There was one part, however, which appealed to what little sporting blood there was in the audience. This was when two of the members engaged in what looked to be a wrestling match. There was a grapevine by one and a half-Nelson by the other. But the referee cried "break" before there was a fall. Then the singing was resumed.

Audience Enjoyed It.

After the song service, the yelling practice and the high jumping programme, in which the principals certainly showed that it didn't make any difference whether they were in Chicago or Boston, for they could still trip the light fantastic and give the fancy steps of a tandem leader with the same ease and grace. One of the speakers had occasion to refer to this later, when he said: "If you folks think that it's easy to put on salvation and that we are making believe, we'll give you the stage for fifteen minutes and let you try it." No one moved, however, and it was taken for granted that the audience had a full appreciation of the degree of salvation enjoyed by the brethren.

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CZAR READY TO FLEE FROM RUSSIA

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mittee of the Workmen's Alliance in St. Petersburg have been arrested and thrown into prison. This was the government's reply to the manifestato issued by the various alliances and published in eight papers.

Count Witte is fighting a revolt in the cabinet. The plan of the Premier is "passive resistance," but the other members are determined that severe measures of repression shall be employed, whether Witte is willing or not.

Those delegates to the Workmen's Alliance who were not arrested have held another meeting and have determined to call a general strike to-morrow. It is feared that there will be a recrudescence of assassination as a result of the strong feeling against the government, due to the arrest of the delegates, the suppression of newspapers and the further arrests, that are expected hourly, of members of the Union of Unions.

TO FIGHT WITH BOMBS.

At a meeting of the social revolutionists at Vasiliostroff, the speakers declared that their only hope now is in renewed bomb throwing. The police are trying to piece together small fragments of paper which were discovered and which are believed to be the pieces of a list of names of men who were implicated in a plot against Witte's cabinet.

Governor Rogensk of Riga is still urgently calling for troops. Two army corps are being mobilized to suppress the revolt.

According to the Government's information, sixty thousand Letts are under arms. The Novoe Vremya says that the authorities have decided to send all the troops of the St. Petersburg district, with the exception of the Guards, to suppress the revolt.

Governor Rogensk reports that besides the fact that armed insurgents are disputing the passage of the soldiers the railroad tracks are damaged in all directions, and he advises that troops be sent by water.

Insurgents in the Baltic provinces hold several towns and large sections of the country and are threatening the larger cities.

Troop Train Wrecked.

In Livonia, according to authoritative news, insurgents derailed, near Stockmansof, a military train which was carrying reinforcements from Wilna to Riga. They then attacked the survivors of the wreck. The general commanding at Wilna telegraphs that he is unable to send assistance, as the track is destroyed on both sides. The casualties are not stated. It is feared they were heavy.

It now transpires that half the reinforcements of troops on board the train surrendered to the insurgents. Governor Rogensk's latest advices said that the remainder of the troops held out for four days. Their position when last heard from was desperate.

Traffic is being opened over one road out of Riga, but the trains are fired on at several stations which are in possession of the revolutionists.

BALTIC UPRISING DEFIES CZAR; OVER 500,000 MEN REBEL

By Robert Crozier Long.

Special Cable to Boston American.

ST. PETERSBURG, via Eydtkuhnen, Dec. 19.—The situation in the Baltics is not in the least relieved. The republic there established openly defies the Czar's government. The railway between Orloff and Riga has been completely destroyed, compelling the reinforcements sent by that route to march the entire distance.

The troops are being concentrated against Riga, 60,000 now being either there or on their way. Fully 500,000 Baltheers, well armed and desperate, will meet the attack. The Baltheers are magnificently organized. They made an attempt on Saturday outside of St. Petersburg to wreck the treasure train containing 12,000,000 rubles, which had been dispatched for the payment of interest on the Russian loans. The attempt was unsuccessful.

The treasure, it is said, was on the way to the Russian grand dukes at Cannes. Eight thousand infantry and artillery, with a detachment of twenty machine guns, surrounded the Peter and Paul fortress, where 250 prominent revolutionaries are imprisoned. Fearing that an attempt to release these prisoners may be successful, it is expected the government will issue a ukase granting 300,000,000 acres of state arable lands to peasants.

The Bucharest fugitives report terrible Jewish massacres at Odessa, where ninety-five shops were destroyed on Friday, and many occupants murdered. A number of Jews who were crossing the Pruth on Sunday were massacred by Cossacks. The Bessarabian troops have joined the revolution armies at Keshineff. A general massacre of Jews is imminent. The Czar has his usual Christmas announcement.

HOUGHTON & DUTTON

SPECIAL NOTICE!

Last week we announced to the public that we would discontinue the giving of double stamps on Saturday noon and that thereafter only single stamps would be given until Christmas. Since then the merchants of the Legal Stamp Syndicate have determined on giving double stamps on Tuesday of this week. As we wish to give our customers all the advantages accorded by the other Legal Stamp stores, we will therefore give

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WOULD CHECK BIG FRAUDS IN NATURALIZATION

Roosevelt Commission Report Scheme to Guard Citizenship by Aliens.

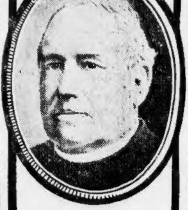
WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The report the Naturalization Commission appoint by President Roosevelt, which is made pu lic to-day, recommends a uniform certi rate of naturalization and a bureau ha ing charge of all naturalization matters.

It is recommended that no one sha hereafter be admitted to citizenship wh does not intend to reside permanently i the United States and who does not kno the English language.

To prevent naturalization frauds fo political purposes, the commission recom mends that no naturalizations be co ferred within thirty days next precedin a presidential or congressional electio and that a uniform fee of at least S be charged.

It is also recommended that the declara tion of intention, which can be now mad two years before naturalization before th clerk of any court, be entirely abolished and that in its place every person desiring to be naturalized shall file a petition befor the clerk of the court in which his nat uralization is to be heard, at least thre months before the final hearing, a duplicat of the petition to be sent to the bureau o naturalization at Washington.

Father John's Medicine



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LAWSON'S FOES PUT UP COPPER HALF A POINT

Amalgamated Later Drops to 98 5-8 and Rallies to 98 7-8 at 11 O'Clock.

TODAY'S MARKET INACTIVE

Standard Oil interests fighting Thomas W. Lawson in Amalgamated opened the stock one-half point higher in New York to-day.

The market was not active, and the supporting orders which came in at the opening were for fractional parts of the big lots that have been bought by the Standard Oil in the present bull campaign.

After being shaded ⅛ to 98⅝, the buying orders sent the price before 11 o'clock to 98⅞.

ADDICKS SAVES HIS VILLA FROM AUCTION

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 19.—Several millionaires were disappointed when J. Edward Addicks saved "Belvoir," his fine villa here, from going under the hammer by a narrow margin. It had been advertised for sale by the Newport Savings Bank because Mr. Addicks had not paid the interest on the mortgage. The auctioneer was ready for the sale when it was announced that Mr. Addicks had satisfied the claim of the bank.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure you in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

AKINSON LEFT HIS ESTATE TO FAMILY

the will of the late Edward Atkinson, wh has just been filed in the Norfolk nty Probate Court at Dedham, the ale of the estate is bequeathed to his e, and after her death to his children, arles Heath Atkinson, Edward W. Atkinson, Anna G. Winsor, Caroline P. Atkinson, Mary H. Atkinson, William Atkinson and Robert W. Atkinson.

How to Fool a Lazy Liver with Artificial Exercise

EVERY serious Sickness has a small beginning.

And, in nine cases out of ten that small beginning is made in the Bowels.

Indigestion is the beginning of most diseases.

It paves the way for all others.

Lack of exercise, hasty eating, improper food, are its first causes.

Laziness, and postponement, permits it to grow into Chronic Constipation, which means life-long Discomfort.

It isn't necessary to be sick-a-bed, you know, in order to be mighty uncomfortable.

Even slight indigestion affects the nerves, dulls the mind, and obscures the merry sunshine of Life.

And, Indigestion once started, grows fast, corrodes temperament, and discounts happiness, good cheer, capacity.

It does that long before it puts you on the Sick list.

Every thinking Doctor knows why.

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Professor Rand knew it.

That's why he framed up for students his famous formula for Happiness, viz.: "Trust in God, and keep your Bowels open."

The Bowels need adjustment from time to time, just like a clock or a watch.

No "Good time" is humanly possible without this.

And, the time to adjust the watch is not when it has run down, nor when the main spring is broken, but at the very minute adjustment is discovered necessary.

The time to adjust the Bowels is not merely when your Head Aches, when your Liver is Sick, your Stomach in Revolt, and Nature's Food Process retarded for 24 hours or longer.

The proper time to adjust them is the very minute you suspect they need adjustment.

—If your tongue is slightly coated,

—If your breath is under suspicion,

—If your Head feels a trifle heavy or dull,

—If digestion seems even a little slow,

—If Heartburn, Belching, Colic or Restlessness begin to show themselves,

—That's the time to eat a Cascaret.

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Don't imagine the Cascaret is ineffective because it is pleasant to eat as Candy.

It acts as pleasantly as it tastes. It is as congenial to your Bowels as it is to your Palate.

It is not a "Bile-driver" which floods out your stomach today with fluid juices needed for tomorrow.

But, it acts like Exercise, instead.

It stimulates the muscular lining of the Bowels and the Intestines, so that they mechanically digest food and drive out the waste.

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The time to use a Cascaret is when you first suspect you need one.

The only way to have them ready to use precisely when you need them is to carry them constantly in your pocket, as you do a Watch or a Lead pencil.

The ten cent box of Cascarets is made thin, flat, round-edged, and small, for this precise purpose.

Be very careful to get the genuine, made only by the Sterling Remedy Company and never sold in bulk. Every tablet stamped "CCC." 716a

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FREE TO OUR FRIENDS!

We want to send to our friends a beautiful French-designed GOLD-PLATED BONBON BOX hard-enameled in colors. It is a beauty for the dressing table. Ten cents in stamps is asked as a measure of good faith and to cover cost of Cascarets with which this dainty trinket is loaded.

Send to-day, mentioning this paper. Address Sterling Remedy Company, Chicago or New York.

TO THE "SYSTEM"

You wonder why I have no full-page ad. this morning.

I do not want your windbag to collapse just yet any more than you do.

I have a lot more stock to sell first.

Then again, it will require no advertising to topple your rotten structure this trip.

John R. Walsh's inverted pyramid was a Gibraltar compared with—— which was tided over temporarily last April, or a dozen others in different parts of the country almost as bad.

Keep right on, Mr. Magician, with your wand-waving until you get completely out of magic.

My story of yesterday's happenings is running in Europe this morning. They need the news over there more than you do.

Just before the close Saturday I sold 1100 shares of a "Copper" at 67½ to 68. It opened yesterday down to 49 on a few hundred shares. The bank that took it as collateral on 10 points margin on Saturday found it owned it this morning, or that it was loaning 9 points to the brokers without any collateral, and if you magicians had not jumped to the front with the other banks in your control, the bank would have found it was loaning $40 more than the $9 without collateral.

Boston, Dec. 19, 1905.

THOMAS W. LAWSON

JORDAN MARSH CO. HAS RECORD STOCK OF GIFTS

All the World Searched to Make Up Enormous Line of Christmas Goods.

RESULT OF YEAR'S WORK

"Please keep to the right and carry small bundles," is the announcement on a small red placard distributed liberally over the walls and posts of the immense establishment of the Jordan Marsh Co., both in the main building and in the annex on Avon street. Thousands upon thousands of rushing, pushing, jostling men, women and children have seen this notice during the past few days of the Christmas season and will continue to glance at it during the remainder of the holiday period. It is hardly given a second thought by the average person, but the simple little notice serves to accelerate the business of the firm and at the same time assist in the quick disposal of one of the largest stocks of goods ever under the roof of a department store in this country or even the world.

In the hustle and bustle of the greatest shopping period of the year, the Christmas season, the city shopper, accustomed to visiting department stores, seldom if ever gives a thought to the problem which must confront the managers of such a firm as the Jordan Marsh Co. in providing the wares to meet the wants of customers.

Whole World Searched.

They fail to appreciate and realize that a corps of alert, efficient buyers visit during the year every nook and corner of Europe and Asia in quest of consignments at reasonable rates, to be shipped to this city and placed in huge warehouses to await the oncoming of the Yuletide season, then to be placed on the counters of the establishment to aid parents, sweethearts or children in purchasing suitable gifts to bring happiness and joy into countless hearts of this community. Yet this season experts are unanimous in declaring that the tremendous stock being displayed is not only the largest on record in this section of the country, but likewise of the greatest variety.

No matter what section, what counter, is visited, there is to be found a full and complete stock of all kinds and varieties, yet the people as a rule take this as a matter of course, and to the out-of-town shopper it creates the greatest wonderment. In Goldsmith's "Deserted Village" the schoolmaster, with his great knowledge astounded them to such an extent that "Still the wonder grew, that one small head could carry all he knew." And so with the department store. Beneath its roof is to be found every article to furnish a house, to equip it and at the same time give a variety of good things that seem impossible to obtain from one store.

There is no gift within reason for man, woman or child of which a variety cannot be obtained in some part of the mammoth establishment. Miles upon miles of suitable gifts for every age and sex are exhibited and already millions of parcels have been sent out in the deliveries by those who have been fortunate enough to have done their shopping during the past week. These gifts are set out upon counters and in glass cases in a systematic manner that challenges the admiration of everyone, and all in such a manner that each and every article can be thoroughly examined by the prospective purchaser.

Toys for the Children.

This is the time when everyone is looking out for the happiness of the children and a visit to the toy department of the store will be a spectacle both inspiring and animated, for the different types of mechanical and art toys displayed count up into the thousands. Puzzles and games galore are there to quicken and guide the immature mind, and the greatest collection of dolls for the little girls is shown, too. Dolls are always in demand among the little ones and doll furniture also, and here is the opportunity of a lifetime.

To enumerate all the articles to be found in the various parts of this colossal establishment would be simply impossible, but take the gentlemen's department on the street floor, Summer street entrance. Here is to be found a collection of neckwear, hosiery and furnishings such as would warm the cockles of any man's heart, and in this section thousands of women, wives and sweethearts, can be seen crowding the counters to partake of the bargains offered and purchase suitable gifts. Then again take the handkerchief counters. Here are miles upon miles of these useful articles, suitable alike for man or woman. The holiday stock displayed has never been excelled, and the popularity as to quality and price is being daily attested by the crowds who throng the counters, bent upon buying some of the good things offered.

Thought for the Family.

The family must always be taken into consideration, and among the many counters can be visited the cut glass section, where the stock is of such immense proportions that it outrivals many firms selling glassware exclusively.

Perhaps a clock is wanted. You visit the clock department and here you find the same story, a collection of clocks sufficient to thoroughly stock any ordinary city clock store, clocks of every kind from nickel to gold, from one-day to six-week winders, little ones, big ones, in fact, every conceivable kind. The same is true of chairs, pillows, books, in fact, of any department you enter. Such an utterance by a salesgirl as: "We don't keep them in this store," is unknown in the Jordan Marsh establishment, for the guiding spirits of this progressive up-to-date firm have provided their patrons and the people of New England with one of the largest and finest stocks of holiday goods ever assembled and of which they are justly proud.

PICKERING GETS LALANDE PRIZE

Because he made the most important scientific discovery during the year, Professor William Henry Pickering, head of the astronomical department at Harvard University, has been awarded the Lalande prize by the French Academy at Paris. This is a cash prize, and was given Professor Pickering for finding the ninth satellite of the largest planet in June, 1899. This discovery was made at Harvard from astronomical photographs made under his direction in Peru.

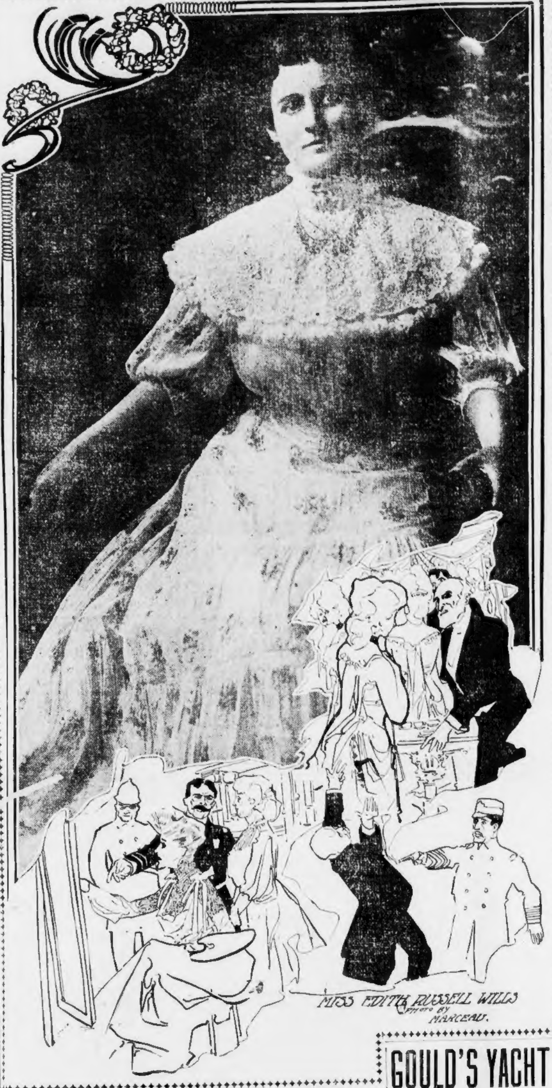
STUDENT, ILL, KILLS SELF WITH BULLET

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 9.—James S. Dox, aged 26, of North Adams, Mass., a student at Bowman Technical School, has committed suicide in his bedroom by shooting himself in the brain, holding the revolver muzzle in his mouth. Ill health was the cause.

Twenty-five Dollar Washington Tours via Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

Seven-day tours, including hotel accommodations, meals en route, allowing longer stay in Washington and stop-over at Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, will leave Boston under the Personally-Conducted System of the Pennsylvania Railroad on January 19, February 2 and 16, March 2, 16 and 30, April 6 and 20 and May 4. Rate for tour of May 4 will be $27. Particulars of Geo. M. Roberts, P. A. N. E. D., 205 Washington street, Boston.

MRS. APPLETON PLANS TO CONTEST DIVORCE



GIRL WHO WAITS TO WED APPLETON.

Wife of Clubman Says She Will Fight Unless Satisfactory Settlement Is Made.

The news that Capt. Nathan Appleton, clubman, globe trotter, author, gentleman of leisure, was seeking a divorce from his wife from whom he was separated, one year after they were married, seventeen years ago, in order that he might marry Miss Edith Russell Wills of Newburyport, was quickly followed by the information, coming from New York, where Mrs. Appleton is now living, that she will contest his suit unless a satisfactory settlement is made upon her. It was at first announced that she would make no contest.

Captain Appleton, in the seclusion of his rooms at the Bellevue Hotel in this city, replies to this statement that he is willing to make a moderate settlement, but he will not be held up for a large sum of money, and that he will fight any contest to the last ditch.

Society has hardly recovered from the surprise of the prospective divorce and marriage of the well-known clubman. It is a choice morsel of gossip and sensational developments are expected in case Mrs. Appleton makes good her threat and contests the suit. Society is anxious to hear the story of the separation and the reasons for it so soon after what was supposed to be a happy and suitable marriage, and the explanation of the fact that neither has sought a divorce before, although living apart for seventeen years.

Mrs. Appleton Gets Counsel.

Scores of friends of Captain Appleton sent him congratulatory messages as soon as they learned of his determination to procure a divorce and wed. Cablegrams from all parts of Europe, telegrams from every section of this country and notes wishing him good luck from many friends in and about Boston poured in on him at his rooms throughout the day and late into the evening.

Mrs. Appleton has already taken steps to contest the divorce suit. She has engaged as attorneys the firm of Choate, Hall & Stewart of this city and an appearance has been filed by them. Mr. Stewart says that unless a settlement is made upon Mrs. Appleton she will certainly fight the case.

It is thought that the case will come to trial at the January sitting of the divorce session in Boston. Attorney Stewart says that Mrs. Appleton has a good defence to make. He said positively, however, that she would not bring a cross libel. Mrs. Appleton was served with the divorce papers while in Munich, Germany, and returned to this country at once.

"All I desire is that the present Mrs. Appleton shall not interfere with my plans to become a free man again and then to marry Miss Wills," said Captain Appleton, when seen at the Hotel Bellevue. "If Mrs. Appleton agrees to that, well and good; the matter will then be put through as quietly and with as little sensation as possible. But I give fair warning that if she or any designing persons attempt to frustrate us, then the fight will be a bitter one.

Defend Miss Wills.

"I am willing to do anything that is reasonable and right to have this matter settled without any fuss. I am willing, if it is necessary, to make a moderate settlement, but I will not be held up for large sums of money. No law of right or justice could prevent me from divorcing the woman who is called my wife and from marrying the woman whom I have found at last, the one whom life would be impossible without. I know that I am no longer a young man, but I have lived an upright life. Miss Wills and I understand each other and we want each other."

Fearing that it might be thought that inasmuch as she is but thirty-two and Captain Appleton is sixty-two, Miss Wills was going to marry him for his money, friends have come to her support, and they declare positively that such impression would be entirely incorrect. S. Gannett Wells of No. 45 Commonwealth avenue, who is a cousin to Miss Wills, and is also a trustee of the Appleton estate, said:

"No one acquainted with the state of affairs would accuse Miss Wills of having mercenary motives. There is no doubt but that her marriage to Captain Appleton if it takes place, will be one simply of mutual interest."

Miss Wills remains in seclusion at her home at Newburyport because of the notoriety she has received during the last few days. Although she received several callers, who came to express their congratulations, yet she excused herself after a few minutes' conversation, pleading illness.

MORMONS ON WAY TO VERMONT STATE

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 19.—President Joseph F. Smith and Anthony Lund of the Mormon Church, with several apostles and bishops, have started from Salt Lake City for South Royalton, Vt., to the dedication of a monument to the memory of Prophet Joseph Smith, on the spot where he was born.

GOULD'S YACHT LOST AT SEA?

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Advices from Norfolk tell of the departure of a United States revenue cutter to scour the seas for Howard Gould's yacht, the Niagara. It was known in New York yesterday, and telegraphed to Norfolk, that Mr. Gould's yacht was yesterday standing by a schooner in distress off Cape Hatteras.

The departure of the revenue cutter is said to have been caused by the known danger of the Niagara's position off one of the most treacherous capes on the Atlantic coast.

Mr. Gould had sailed from New York for the Caribbean Sea on a Winter cruise. When off Cape Hatteras the yacht sighted the schooner Belle O'Neil. The schooner was leaking, and had signals up asking to be towed into port.

The Niagara reached the distressed schooner and stood by her, evidently waiting for the sea to go down before attempting to rescue the imperilled crew or to tow the Belle O'Neil into port.

It is
ROYAL
Baking Powder
that makes the
Delicious Biscuit,
Griddle Cake
and Doughnut

NO MORE FAT WITNESS FEES, SAYS MORAN

Salaried Medical Examiners No Longer to Be Paid Extra for Going Before Juries.

TO STICK TO THE STATUTES

WILL FOLLOW LAW INSTEAD OF CUSTOM

"I intend to ignore all CUSTOMS established by my predecessors.

"Where the STATUTE fails to give me authority to direct payments by the county treasurer, CUSTOM cannot give me such authority.

"This office is to be conducted during my administration in accordance with the LAW."

—From statement by District Attorney John B. Moran.

Retrenchment and reform is the latest edict of District Attorney John B. Moran. He says he will not follow certain customs of his predecessors, and will thereby save the County of Suffolk twice the amount of his salary each year. This retrenchment is in the nature of a refusal to pay the medical examiners witness fees in criminal cases, $15 for each appearance before the Grand Jury and $25 for each appearance before the Petit Jury. It also means that witnesses from out of the State will only be allowed mileage as far as the State line instead of to their homes as before. Then again he will not allow the advance of any money for extradition purposes.

It has been the custom to allow the medical examiners the fees mentioned, beside their salaries of $4,000 a year, and the District Attorney is of the opinion that this is illegal.

Will Reduce Expenses.

The county's new public prosecutor will also put a stop to the practice of paying the mileage of witnesses beyond the State line, which is as far as the law allows. He declares that interpreters have been paid too much for their services and daily refuses to sign orders for the advance money to defray the expenses of police officers detailed to bring back a prisoner from any point beyond the confines of the Commonwealth.

In this connection Mr. Moran has given out a statement, in which he said:

"I intend to approve only of such bills as I am authorized to by statute. I intend to ignore all customs established by my predecessors. Where the statute fails to give me authority to direct payments by the county treasurer, custom cannot give me such authority. This office is to be conducted during my administration in accordance with the law."

Will Treat All Alike.

The District Attorney was in conference late yesterday afternoon with Police Captains Gaskin and Cain with reference to the enforcement of the liquor law. He will no more allow the 20-cent drinkers to be protected by screens than the 10-cent drinkers and he obtained all the information possible from the captains about the different hotels in their districts and their observance of the law. He says all screens must go.

The hotels located within Captain Gaskin's precinct are Young's, Parker House, Crawford, Quincy, Rossmore, Boston Tavern and Grand View. Captain Cain was called upon to furnish information relative to the Touraine, New Lexington, Adams House, Clark's, Cecil, Essex, United States Hotel, Continental, New Marlboro and Mieusset's.

After leaving the District Attorney's office, Captains Gaskill and Cain were taken in hand by the police commissioners, who were anxious to learn what the latest conference meant.

AUTO PARTY IS LOST IN SNOW

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz., Dec. 19.—A transcontinental automobile carrying Percy F. Megargle of New York and David F. Fassett of Lansing, Mich., is lost in deep snow in the mountains west of here, and the automobile had not been heard from since Friday last, when it left Williams for Flagstaff.

A relief expedition, with food, blankets and shovels started in the midst of a blinding snowstorm. Other parties are hunting for two other men lost in the mountains.

A Boon to the Bilious

Are you compelled to deny yourself many wholesome foods because you think they make you bilious? Do you know that your condition is more to blame than the foods? Your liver and stomach need attention more than the diet. When you find yourself suffering with a bilious attack, take

BEECHAM'S PILLS

and all annoying symptoms will soon disappear. They settle the stomach, regulate the liver and exercise the bowels. Their good effects are felt immediately.

Beecham's Pills mingle with the contents of the stomach and make easy work of digestion. The nourishing properties of the food are then readily assimilated and the residue carried off without irritating the intestines or clogging the bowels.

Beecham's Pills should be taken whenever there is sick headache, furred tongue, constipation, sallow skin or any symptoms that indicate an inactive liver.

Sold Everywhere. In boxes 10c. and 25c.

TRUST LOBBY FLAYED BY HAM

Guy A. Ham, Assistant United States District Attorney, denounces the corporations and financiers who corrupt young and inexperienced members of the Legislature. In addressing the Wellesley Club in Copley Square Hotel he said in part:

"The average young man who is selected to the State House as Representative is very often poor, and it is upon these young men that the corporations and financiers prey. In my opinion these concerns should be punished to the fullest extent of the law, as they wreck the lives and futures of young men who otherwise would lead straightforward and upright lives."

CLASSES END AT MEMORIAL

The first term of classes in dancing, physical culture, photography, wood carving, millinery and dressmaking at the Parker Memorial is about ending, and a second term of twelve lessons will start early in January.

The low prices have made the past term the most successful for some years.

The new term is expected to start out with a large and full attendance. The management is endeavoring to increase the social life of the pupils, and concerts, entertainments and dances, etc., are given occasionally to this end.

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Have You Rheumatism, Kidney, Liver or Bladder Trouble?

To Prove what Swamp-Root, the Great Kidney, Liver and Bladder Remedy will do for YOU, all our Readers May Have a Sample Bottle Sent Free by Mail.

Pain or dull ache in the back is unmistakable evidence of kidney trouble. It is Nature's timely warning to show you that the track of health is not clear.

If these danger signals are unheeded, more serious results are sure to follow; Bright's disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble, may steal upon you.

The mild and the extraordinary effect of the world-famous kidney and bladder remedy, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. A trial will convince anyone—and you may have a sample bottle free, by mail.

Gentlemen—I attribute my present good health to Swamp-Root. I suffered many years with kidney trouble and had an almost constant pain in my back. Your great remedy, Swamp-Root, cured my trouble, and I have since been perfectly well. Yours truly, B. H. Chalker, Ex-Chief of Police, Ozark, Ala.

Lame back is only one symptom of kidney trouble—one of many. Other symptoms showing that you need Swamp-Root are, being obliged to pass water often during the day and to get up many times during the night, inability to hold your urine, smarting or irritation in passing, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, catarrh of the bladder, uric acid, constant headache, dizziness, poor digestion, sleeplessness, nervousness, irregular heart beating, rheumatism, bloating, irritability, worn-out feeling, lack of ambition, loss of flesh, sallow complexion.

If your water, when allowed to remain undisturbed, in a glass or bottle for twenty-four hours, forms a sediment or settling, or has a cloudy appearance, it is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need immediate attention.

In taking Swamp-Root you afford natural help to Nature, for Swamp-Root is the most perfect healer and gentle aid to the kidneys that is known to medical science.

In order to prove the wonderful merits of Swamp-Root you may have a sample bottle and a book of valuable information, both sent absolutely free by mail. The book contains many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women cured. The value and success of Swamp-Root is so well known that our readers are advised to send for a sample bottle. In sending your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to say you read this generous offer in the Boston Daily American. The genuineness of this offer is guaranteed.

If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need, you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles at drug stores everywhere. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

One Dollar Humor Cure

$1.00 Complete local and constitutional treatment for every humor from pimples to scrofula, from infancy to age, consisting of CUTICURA SOAP, OINTMENT, and PILLS, may now be had of all druggists for one dollar.

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ONE GLANCE AT OUR WINDOWS IS ALL WE ASK YOU TO GIVE
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Only 5 cents per box—Lax-ets, a new, sweet, toothsome laxative for constipation, sour stomach, bad breath, bad taste, biliousness, etc. Unless you try Lax-ets you will never know its value—and only 5 cents at druggists, or by mail for 3 2-cent stamps, Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis.

Liquozone Free

Any sick person who has never used Liquozone should write The Liquozone Company, 458-460 Wabash Av., Chicago. They will send you an order on your druggist for a 50-cent bottle free, if you will state the disease to be treated.

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MARCHIONESS VISITS BOSTON SCHOOL SHE ATTENDED AS GIRL

Violet Twining, Marchioness of Donegal, educated in Boston schools and at Wellesley.

Born in America, young widow of Irish nobleman revisits scenes of her girlhood.

ill Stay in This City Until Christmas—Then Visit New York and Washington.

A longing to see her old school friends and teachers in the Quincy Mansion School brought a marchioness from the realm of royalty in London, after an absence of eight years, and today she slipped into the city of Quincy unheralded, and called upon those for whom she has a loving memory.

The gracious visitor is the Marchioness of Donegal, of London. Before her marriage to the marquis she was Miss Violet Twining. She received her education in Boston, the Quincy Mansion School and at Wellesley.

Her friends and teachers were delighted with their old friend, whom they found to be just the same youthful, vivacious and charming girl that she was when she went to school and had her dreams of fairy princes, maybe, but never certainly expected to become one of the first women of England.

Heart Set on Baby.

The Marquis died nearly two years ago, leaving his fair widow with a fair son, and it is of this baby boy that she loves to talk, and for whom she anticipates great things. The same gentle democracy that characterizes the mother she will endeavor to instill into the heart and mind of the little boy, who even to-day has a long list of imposing titles.

The Marchioness will remain in Boston until Christmas. Then she will visit friends in New York and Washington City, and will return to England in January.

Born in Canada.

As Violet Twining, the Marchioness of Donegal was born in Canada. She received her education in the Boston schools, the Quincy Mansion School and one year at Wellesley College.

Eight years ago she was tall, slender and graceful. Her eyes were deep and blue and laughing, and her beauty was crowned by a wealth of chestnut hair. To-day she looks as she did then, with the additional charm of more poise and a sweet grace of manner.

After her year at Wellesley the Marchioness went to England, where she was married to the Marquis of Donegal.

Since the death of the Marquis, until recently, the Marchioness has been in deep mourning, and has lived a very quiet life in London and at her country home at Isle Magee, County Antrim.

Just now she is wearing pale lavender. She dresses simply, but in exquisite taste. Her jewels are pale amethysts in rare settings.

Her little son, Edward Arthur Donald, St. George Hamilton Chichester, two years and three months old, is not with her on this visit. The Marchioness's mother is caring for him.

The chief pride and interest of the Marchioness centres in her son. She spends much of her time with him. He is blue of eyes and fair of hair and looks like his mother.

Already he has evinced a great love for

Planned Surprise for Her Hub Friends and Arrived With No Word of Her Coming.

music and the Marchioness has given him many music boxes; allows him to hear only the best music; and at an early age he will be taught music.

He is bright and merry, and the Marchioness is bringing him up democratically, declaring she does not wish to make him helpless and dependent by having a nurse anticipate his every want.

Already this fair baby boy bears the titles of Marquis of Donegal, Viscount of Chichester, Baron Belfast and Baron Fisherwick.

The Marchioness is a great traveler. After leaving Wellesley she spent three years abroad, during which she visited Russia, France, Italy, South Africa and nearly all of the other countries of the world. The royal visitor still retains her love for travel, and last year she went to the Holy Land, and on horseback visited every spot of interest in that wonderful country of Biblical history.

Leaving the Holy Land, the Marchioness crossed into Africa and stopped at the Island of Madagascar, where she purchased for a fabulous sum a remarkable cat. She calls it Fifi, and it has a tail a yard long.

The Marchioness is fond of all kinds of animals, and her kennels are filled with English bull terriers and St. Bernards. She is the owner of a string of thoroughbred horses.

TOOK ALL THE BLAME TO SAVE HIS BROTHER

Elder Stillings Pleads With Court to Keep Younger Man from Jail.

BOTH ARE SENTENCED

Taking the blame on his own shoulders, George E. Stillings, who was president of the Preferred Mercantile Company, pleaded with Judge Lowell to save his younger brother out of jail and asked that he might bear the punishment all alone.

In the courtroom, while George Stillings pleaded for Guy C. Stillings, sat their sister, listening to the plea with tears running unchecked down her cheeks, her hands clenched together, now and then so unable to control her feelings that she sobbed aloud.

"I have nothing to say for myself, your honor," said the eldest defendant, "but I plead for my brother. He did nothing but what I told him to do. I alone am responsible for all his acts. He has a pure and honest heart and a clean conscience. He is the baby of our family. He has never lived for himself, but for them. If you send him to prison you will make a criminal of him. I hope and pray you will let the poor boy go."

Judge Lowell responded to the plea: "This was not only a lottery but a particularly bad and vicious lottery. It was a gross swindle all through; the whole thing was a fraud from beginning to end."

George Stillings was given a year's sentence in Suffolk Jail and Guy Stillings four months. These sentences do not go into effect until the expiration of the sentence of one year each passed last October for contempt of court.

DOVER BOY CRAZY FROM OVERSTUDY

Found Wandering City Streets Crying That He Had Been Drugged and Robbed.

WAS PROMINENT ATHLETE

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—Crying that he has been drugged and robbed, and refusing to eat, Arthur Foster, a freshman at the University of Pennsylvania, is suffering from a peculiar form of dementia, as a result, it is believed, of overstudy. Young Foster is twenty years old and is the son of George J. Foster, publisher of the Dover, N. H., Daily Democrat. He is an athlete and is now under medical treatment at the Bristol Hotel, having been removed there by his father.

Young Foster was found recently wandering around the streets of Philadelphia. He declined to eat anything, complaining that the food had been drugged. When his father arrived, he at last persuaded the boy to eat a little, and it is now thought he will shortly recover.

Foster graduated from the Dover, N. H., High School last June. While a student at the school he was prominently identified with athletics, having been captain and manager of the football team and captain of the baseball team. During the past football season he was a substitute player on the University of Pennsylvania varsity eleven.

2,500 CONVERTED BY BALL PLAYER

BURLINGTON, Ia., Dec. 19.—As a result of five weeks of revival services here, Evangelist William Sunday, the famous old ball player of the Chicago nine, converted 2,500 people. The residents donated him $4,000 before he left.

By Our Direct Plan of Selling Whiskey You Can Get the Best Grade at the Wholesale Price

No man pays more for an article than he is obliged to. If you use whiskey, and are particular about the quality of it, you pay the retailer $1.25 or $1.50 for a quart bottle. The whiskey you buy this way is good whiskey, but it is really worth only one-half of what you are obliged to pay for it. The dealer is not asking you too much, but his modest profit is not the only one you pay, when you buy whiskey at retail. The rectifier, the wholesale dealer, and frequently the jobber, all have to get their profit, so you are compelled to pay three or four advances over the cost of producing the whiskey; for the rectifier, the wholesaler, the jobber and the retailer all have to make a living. So a whiskey that sells at wholesale for seventy-five cents a bottle, costs you $1.50, because you have to pay all these in-between-profits.

If a reliable firm of distillers were to offer you bottled whiskey at the wholesale price, you would be glad to go to them for it, because it would pay you to go out of your way to save so much money.

Our plan is even better than this, for we not only sell Callahan Home Whiskey direct to you at the wholesale price, but deliver it free to any railroad point in New England. Our plan is the safest and cheapest way to buy whiskey, and it is also the most convenient.

We sell Callahan Home Whiskey in cases containing four full-quart bottles. The price of this case, delivered at your nearest railroad station, is $3, or only one-half of what it would cost you if sold at retail. The bottles are securely packed, and there are no marks on the outside of the case to indicate the contents.

Callahan Home Whiskey is a fine, old whiskey, blended by experts. It is ripened in charred oaken barrels, and takes ten years to bring it to maturity. It has a fine old mellow flavor found only in high-grade whiskey. It is specially valuable for home and medicinal use.

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Remember you take no risk in ordering Callahan Home Whiskey. Read our offer. You will agree that we could not make a fairer proposal.

Send us $3 for four (4) full quarts of 10-year-old Callahan Home Whiskey, and we will promptly ship the goods to any railroad point in New England, express charges prepaid. Sample a bottle, and if not thoroughly satisfied with your purchase, return the case to us, at our expense, and your $3 will be returned without argument or delay.

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BEST IN THE WORLD
THE WORLD'S GREATEST SHOEMAKER
ALL LEATHERS. ALL ONE PRICE, $3.50
ESTABLISHED JULY 6, 1876

W. L. Douglas makes and sells more men's $3.50 shoes than any other manufacturer in the world.

$10,000 REWARD to anyone who can disprove this statement.

W. L. Douglas $3.50 shoes have by their excellent style, easy fitting and superior wearing qualities, achieved the largest sale of any $3.50 shoe in the world. They are just as good as those that cost you $5 to $7—the only difference is the price. If I could take you into my factory at Brockton, Mass., the largest in the world under one roof making men's fine shoes, and show you the infinite care with which every pair of Douglas shoes is made, you would realize why W. L. Douglas $3.50 shoes are the best shoes produced anywhere.

If I could show you the difference between the shoes made in my factory and those of other makes, you would understand why Douglas $3.50 shoes cost more to make, why they hold their shape, fit better, wear longer, and are of greater intrinsic value than any other $3.50 shoe on the market to-day.

EXCEL ALL OTHERS.

"I find W. L. Douglas $3.50 shoes excel all others in quality of leather, workmanship, neatness in fitting and durability, and would recommend to all men that wish their feet nicely dressed." GEORGE ALFRED GRAY, 1123 Tremont Bldg.

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Just the same as my men's $3.50 shoes, the same leathers, for $2.00 and $1.75.

Only Fast Color Eyelets used: they will not wear brassy.

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115-117 SUMMER STREET, corner Lincoln Street.
180 HANOVER STREET.

Come to the STEIN-BLOCH Sale

The fact that we could not handle the crowds Saturday is not surprising — when **Stein-Bloch** Clothes—the finest on earth—are offered at half price—what else could we expect?—Sale Continues

Men's Suits	
$20 Stein-Bloch Suits . . .	$12.50
$25 Stein-Bloch Suits	$14.50
$30 Stein-Bloch Suits	$16.50

Suit $20. 12.50

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$25 Stein-Bloch Overcoats .	$14.50
$30 Stein-Bloch Overcoats .	$17.50
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$6.50 Coats Now	$3.98
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VORENBERG'S
Hanover, Washington and Elm Streets

Finest Display of Christmas Neckwear in Boston
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Immense Stocks of Fine New Christmas Goods at Powerfully Attractive Prices. . . . . .

These Specials for Tuesday

Special Prices in Every Instance

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For to-morrow's Special Sale is a first class $1.25 Sheffield Steel Razor at 89c

You could not give him anything more appropriate and useful—that is, not for the money we ask you. Special to-morrow 89c

PICTURE FRAMES

Art Nouveau Frames, Cabinet size; imported novelties 50c
(Main Floor Front, Hayward Place Side)

TOILET SETS

Fancy Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets. Price $1.25
(Main Floor, Essex Street Side)

MEN'S SIGNET RINGS

$8.75 for a Gentleman's Extra Heavy Signet Ring, very fine carving and finish.
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Silk Gauze Fans, Bone sticks, beautifully decorated; twenty styles 45c
(Main Floor Front; Essex Street Side)

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English, German and Domestic styles in pigskin, alligator and seal. Prices:
$3.75 to $25
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Beautiful Young Singers. Another shipment has just been received from the Hartz Mountains. On sale in the Basement at $1.98

VANITY BAGS ALSO ENVELOPE BAGS

Dotted fur Seal, walrus and moleskin; silk lined; fitted with card case, purse or mirror. Choice . . . $7.00
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BARRE RELIEF FRAMES

Barre Relief Frames on card, cabinet and outer cabinet size. Handsomely mounted on velvet. Worth up to $5.00. Price $1.98
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IN THE DRUG STORE

Sanford's Ginger	28c
Father John's Medicine	38c
Peptomangan	78c
Coke's Dandruff Cure	59c
Hoff's Malt	25c
Omega Oil	7c

(Main Floor, Essex Street Side)

POCKET KNIVES

Imported and Domestic. Many styles of handles,
25c, 50c, 63c, 75c, $1.00

Special lot Pearl handled Pocket Knives; different sizes 50c
(Main Floor, Essex Street Side)

DIAMOND JEWELRY

14-kt. Tiffany Setting Diamond; white stone	$15.00
14-kt. Flat Belcher Setting, White Diamond	$14.00
14-kt. Diamond and Pearl Pendant or Brooch	$15.00

(Main Floor, Essex Street Side)

TOILET GOODS

Palm Olive Soap	7c
Babeskin Talcum, 3 for	25c
Bathasweet Bath Powder	16c
Rubifoam	16c
Laprimera Castile Soap, 4 cakes	25c
Dr. Charles' Flesh Food	34c
Oriental Cream	98c

(Main Floor, Essex Street Side)

RICH CUT GLASS

Among the Rich Deep-Cut Cut Glass will be found vases, decanters, tall comports, rose bowls, ice tubs, salad bowls, water pitchers, water bottles, nappies, celery trays, etc., in some new and brilliant cuttings. Worth $7.50 to $10.00 each, at $5.00
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LeGrand Perfumes (France), fancy bottles, handsome boxes, assorted odors. Prices,
60c, 39c, 19c, 15c
Kaiserin Farina Cologne. Bottle
60c, 30c, 15c
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Men's 16 "s" Open Face, 20-yr. Case Watches, Waltham movement	$10.00
Women's 20-year gold filled case Watches, American movement	$11.00
Girls' 20-year gold filled case, open-face Watches, American movement	$7.50

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MEN'S FANCY VESTS

Regular $3.00 and $4.00 Vests in an excellent assortment of popular styles $1.85
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BATH ROBES.

Handsome Bath Robes in a great variety of attractive patterns $4.95
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Regular $4.00 Overcoats, well made in the style so very popular for boys. Age 2½ to 8 . . . . $1.98
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IMPORTED FRENCH ATOMIZERS

Imported French Atomizers, gold flower decorated globule; silk net covered bulb, selling for 39c, special at . . 25c
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CARPET SWEEPERS

The Bissell Carpet Sweeper is well known as most reliable; constructed of the best materials, ball bearings and searches deep for the dust. With Japan trimmings $2.50
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Imported Vanity and Auto Bags in genuine English Morocco, Saffian, Walrus and French Levant. Prices were from $4.00 to $12.00. Now . . . . $2.00 to $6.00
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We offer unusual values in all grades of Morris Chairs. For instance, a very heavy quartered oak chair, handsomely polished, spring seat with all hair cushions, four-inch box, complete $7.98
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Antique Mossouls, silky Belouchistans, and the celebrated Cabistans, Daghestans, and Shirvans, also a few of the rare weaves such as Kurdistans, Anatolians, etc.
$12.75, $14.95, $17.75, $24.75
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GOLD PLATED CARRIAGE CLOCKS

Gold Plated Carriage Clocks, guaranteed best movement, strike hour and half hour, repeat last hour by pressing button. Regular price $5.00, at $3.40
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MEN'S TOILET REQUISITES

50c for Men's Shaving Sets of two pieces, nicely decorated. Worth 79c.
Men's Military and Clothes Brush Sets, fancy silver mounted backs, in case. Regular price $4.98. This sale at $3.50
(Main Floor, Essex Street Side)

HANDKERCHIEFS
In Xmas Boxes

See the Men's Irish Linen Handkerchiefs at 12½c, the Men's and Women's Irish Linen handworked initial handkerchiefs at 12½c., the 25c Embroidered Linen Handkerchiefs at 12½c, and countless other Handkerchiefs, worth 25c, at 12½c
(Special Booths, Main Floor)

JEWELRY
For Christmas Selection

Sterling Silver Hair Barrette, set with white stone, a $1.75 value, for 98c
Lorgnette Chains, French gilt, colored stone, all colors, a $1.50 chain, for $1.00
Gun Metal Lorgnette Chains, at 59c, $1.25 to $5.00
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Only 25 pieces, all told. Just a few samples of genuine Royal Vienna covered Jars, Ewers, Vases and Jardinieres, the duplicates of which exclusive Art Stores would charge you $25.00. They are extra large size, too. They'll go quick at $10.00
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Pretty, Serviceable Articles for the well-groomed women and men.

Beautiful Lily Pattern Mirror. French Gray Finish, at	$5.00
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Puff Jar, at	$2.25
Nail File, at	25c
Shoe Horn, at	25c
Button Hook, at	25c

(Main Floor, Essex Street Side)

$100 in Prizes and 50 Watches to Those Who Guess How This Story Ends.

The Strange Case of "THE MAN WHO WAS LOST"

Begin this story to-day, read it carefully and on Saturday you will have a chance to win a prize by guessing how it will end on Sunday.

The Strange Case of "The Man Who Was Lost"

The eighth of a series of mysteries which come under the observation of Prof. Augustus S. F. X. Van Dusen, Ph. D., LL. D., etc., etc., so-called

"The Thinking Machine"

BY

Jacques Futrelle

Synopsis of Preceding Part

The Thinking Machine is visited by a stranger, who knows nothing whatever of who or what he is or where he lives. He has even forgotten his own name. Four weeks previously, he explains, he awoke in a hotel in Boston—the Yarmouth—and found himself registered under the name of John Doane, but he never heard the name before so far as he can recall. There is nothing to identify himself to himself, although a roll of money, $10,000 in bills of $100, is found in his clothing. He lays the matter before The Thinking Machine in an effort to establish his own identity.

Part II.

WHEN the man who was lost—John Doane of Nowhere, to all practical purposes—left the home of The Thinking Machine he bore instructions of divers kinds. First he was to get a large map of the United States and study it closely, reading over and pronouncing aloud the name of every city, town and village he found printed thereon.

After an hour of this he was to take a city directory of Boston and read over the names he found therein, pronouncing them aloud as he did so. After this he was to make out a list of the various professions and higher commercial enterprises and pronounce these. He was also at times to sit down and think constantly of a possible wife and children; some woman somewhere who might be interested in him.

All these things were calculated, obviously, to arouse the sleeping portion of the brain—that part which had become a blank and which left a man stranded, alone and unknown, in a crowd of his fellow creatures. What conclusions The Thinking Machine had reached as a result of the problem which had thus queerly been placed before him had not been revealed to Doane. After Doane had gone, however, The Thinking Machine called up Hutchinson Hatch on the 'phone.

"Come up immediately," he told the reporter. "There's something that will interest you."

"A mystery?" Hatch inquired, eagerly.

"One of the most engaging problems that has ever come to my attention," said the scientist.

It was only a question of a few minutes before Hatch was ushered into the presence of the scientist. He was a living interrogation point, and repressed the rush of questions with a distinct effort. The Thinking Machine finally told the story of what he knew.

"Now it seems to be," said The Thinking Machine, and he emphasized the "seems." "It seems to be a case of aphasia. You know, of course, what that is. The man simply doesn't know himself. I examined him closely. I went over his head for a sign of a possible depression, or abnormality. It didn't appear. I reasoned that there might have been an accident at some time in the past, but nothing of this sort appeared.

"I examined his muscles. He has biceps of great power, is evidently now or has been athletic. His hands are white, well cared for and have not a mark on them. They are not the hands of a man who has ever worked physically for a living. The presence of the money in his pocket also confirms the fact that he is not of the working sphere."

"Then what is he? Lawyer? Banker? Capitalist? Financier? What? He might be either, yet he impressed me as being rather of the business than the professional school. He has a good, square-cut jaw—the jaw of a fighting man—and the unconscious poise of the man gives one the impression that whatever he has been doing in his life he has been foremost in it. Being foremost in it, he would naturally drift to a city, a big city. He is typically a city man.

"Now, please, to aid me, communicate with your correspondents or agents in the large cities of the country and find if there is such a man as John Doane; does he appear in any directory? Did anyone ever hear of him? Is he at home now? Has he a family? All about him."

"Do you believe then that John Doane is his name?" asked the reporter.

"No reason why it shouldn't be," said The Thinking Machine. "Yet it might not be. Look for John Doane anyway."

"How about inquiries in Boston?"

"He can't well be a Boston man," was the reply. "He has been wandering about the streets of this city for four weeks, and if he had lived here he would have met some one who knew him and could have enlightened him in that time."

"But the money?"

"I'll probably be able to locate him through the money," said The Thinking Machine. "The matter is not at all clear to me now, but it occurs to me that he is a man of consequence, and that it was possibly necessary for some one to get rid of him for a time. Hence he is wandering about here."

"Well, if it's aphasia as you say," the reporter put in, "it seems rather difficult to imagine that the attack came at a moment when it was necessary to get rid of him and that he was shipped here from some other place."

"I say it seems like aphasia," said the scientist crustily. "There are known drugs which will produce the identical effect of aphasia if properly administered."

"Oh," said Hatch. He was beginning to see.

"There is one drug particularly, made in India, and not unlike hasheesh, which has that effect. In a case of this kind anything is possible. To-day I should like for you to do as I ask about finding out who John Doane is; to-morrow I shall ask you to take Mr. Doane down to State street and through the financial district as an experiment. When you go there with him I want you particularly to lead him to the sound of the 'ticker'—you know, the Stock Exchange. It will be an interesting experiment."

The reporter went away and The Thinking Machine sent a telegram to the Blank National Bank of Butte, Montana. It was as follows:

"To whom did you issue hundred dollar bills, series B, numbering $16,780 to $16,395 inclusive? Please answer.
"AUGUSTUS S. F. X. VAN DUSEN."

It was 10 o'clock next day when Hutchinson Hatch called on The Thinking Machine. There he met and was introduced to John Doane, the man who was lost. The Thinking Machine was asking questions of Mr. Doane when Hatch was ushered in.

"Did the map recall nothing whatever?"

"Nothing."

"Montana, Montana, Montana," the scientist repeatedly, monotonously. "Think of it. Butte, Montana."

Doane shook his head hopelessly, sadly.

"Cowboy, Cowboy. Did you ever see a cowboy?"

Again the head shake.

"Coyote—something like a dog—coyote. Don't you recall?"

"I'm afraid it's hopeless," remarked the other.

There was a note of more than ordinary irritation in The Thinking Machine's voice when he turned to Hatch.

"Mr. Hatch will you walk through the State street district this morning with Mr. Doane?" he asked. "Please go to the places I suggested, let him witness the excitement. The experiment will be worth while."

So it came to pass that the reporter and Doane went out together, walking through the crowded State street district. The first place visited was a private room where market quotations were displayed on a blackboard. Mr. Doane was interested apparently, but the scene seemed to suggest nothing; he looked upon it all as any stranger might have done.

The reporter studied his face intently, but there was still nothing there but the hopelessness. After a time they passed out and were going along State street. Suddenly a man came running toward them—evidently a broker—and brushed against them heavily as he passed.

"What's the matter?" asked another man behind Hatch.

"Montana copper's gone to smash," said the man who was running, hurriedly.

"Copper! copper!" gasped Doane suddenly.

Hatch looked around quickly at his companion. Doane's face was a study. On it was half realization and a deep perplexed wrinkle, a glimmer even of excitement.

"Copper!" he repeated.

"Does the word mean anything to you?" asked Hatch quickly. "Copper—metal, you know."

"Copper, copper, copper," the other repeated. Then, as Hatch looked, the expression on the face faded away; there came again the hopelessness which had become a part of the man's appearance.

There are many men with powerful names who operate in State street—some of them in copper. Hatch led Doane straight to the office of one of these men and there introduced him to a partner in the business.

"We want to talk about copper a little," Hatch explained, still eyeing the face of his companion narrowly.

"Do you want to buy or sell?" asked the broker.

"Sell," said Doane suddenly. "Sell, sell, sell copper. That's it—copper."

He turned to Hatch, stared at him dully a moment, a deathly pallor came over his face, then suddenly, with upraised hands, he plunged forward and fell senseless.

TO BE CONTINUED TO-MORROW

Conditions of the Contest

This story will run through the week. The final chapter in which the mystery will be solved will be printed in next Sunday's BOSTON AMERICAN.

The only day on which no installment of the story will appear will be Saturday. The next to the last chapter will be printed Friday, and then everybody will have until 6 p. m. Saturday in which to guess how this story ends.

The person who guesses the ending of the story most accurately will receive the first prize of $50.

If two or more persons guess it correctly the one whose reply was mailed first will receive first prize, the next one will get second prize, etc.

If no one solves the mystery accurately, the one who comes nearest to a correct solution will receive first prize.

REMEMBER

That this is a test of SKILL IN THINKING, not skill in writing. All you have to do is to THINK OUT the solution of the mystery. The literary merit of the answers will not be considered.

That if no correct answer is received $100 IN PRIZES and fifty watches will be awarded ANYHOW to those who come nearest to solving the mystery.

NO ANSWERS POSTMARKED LATER THAN 6 P. M. SATURDAY WILL BE CONSIDERED.

Address all communications to

PRIZE STORY EDITOR,
BOSTON AMERICAN.

CHRISTMAS AT SETTLEMENT

The Frances E. Willard Settlement has begun its Christmas celebration. It will continue for the remainder of the week and about 600 youngsters will be made happy with games, toys, ribbons, knives, and the usual lot of articles from Santa Claus's pack.

Santa will call personally upon all the younger [illegible]. The trees will be enjoyed at 4 and 7:30 p. m. each day.

The settlement is making an appeal for support of its work at this time, and the brief circular sent with the letters shows good work done in the thirty-seven clubs, as well as in the girls' home, where working girls earning low salaries are temporarily provided with a good home for $3 per week.

STRIKERS BACK AT WORK.

BROCKTON, Dec. 19.—The 130 lasters who left the E. E. Taylor Company shoe factory December 12 on strike have returned to their places.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

DYSPEPSIA CURED RIGHT.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, composed of natural digestive elements like the gastric juices, cure naturally and surely, because they give the stomach rest while perfectly digesting the food, no matter what the condition of that organ. For sale by all druggists—50 cents the box.

LABOR NEWS

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 96

Sheet Metal Workers' Union No. 17 chose the following executive board at last night's meeting: Louis M. Harrington, John J. Hynes, John H. Winfield, John F. Kennedy, Henry Patterson, Alexander ampbell and C. S. Fillmore.

Third International Vice-President John H. Winfield assured the members of the support of the International in their fight for $3.50 a day, to be made next Spring.

It was announced that General Organizer P. J. Downey, who is at present touring New England for organization purposes, will return to this city next Saturday.

STATIONARY ENGINEERS.

The Executive Board of Stationary Engineers' Union No. 16 has requested a hearing by the Metropolitan Water Board regard to having union conditions pre- ail in that department. A committee was pointed to visit the managers and lessees all theatres in this city, with a view to ving them employ none but union en- neers. The engineers will have the co- peration of the Central Labor Union in his matter. Extensive floral decorations will be a feature of the annual ball, to be held February 9 in Odd Fellows' Hall.

COOKS' ANNUAL BALL.

Cooks' Union No. 328 has appointed the following committee of arrangements for its annual ball in Paul Revere Hall, February 21: Chairman, President M. J. Salway; A. B. Irwin, J. M. Bishop, A. Montague, S. Hanson and John Shea. The union is to hire Cupid Hall, No. 724 Washington street, as a permanent headquarters. Two candidates were admitted to membership.

CARPENTERS MEET TO-NIGHT.

North Cambridge Carpenters' Union No. 1,653 will hold an open mass meeting to-night in Fraternity Hall, No. 2,107 Massachusetts avenue, North Cambridge. Among the speakers will be President McKinnon and Business Agent Cameron of the Carpenters' District Council; A. M. Watson, Brookline Union No. 438; D. J. Gallagher, Amalgamated Branch No. 3; S. W. Price, Branch No. 1; C. Dexter, Brighton Allston Union; J. Bourgois, Cambridge Union No. 441; J. M. Davis, Roxbury Union No. 67; P. J. Smith, Chelsea Union No. 443; S. M. March, Somerville Union No. 629.

LABOR NOTES.

Through the efforts of the label committee of Cigarmakers' Union No. 97 many of the leading hotels of this city are now handling blue label cigars.

Helpers' Section, Electrical Workers' Union No. 103 holds an important meeting to-night at Wells Memorial building.

President H. M. Sawyer, delegate from Paperhangers' Union No. 258 to the recent international convention at Memphis, made an informal report last night. Business Agent Truland, the other delegate, is expected back to-day.

Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen's Union No. 397 has called a meeting for to-night, instead of Thursday night, at No. 133 Blackstone street, so that International Vice-President Eichelberger of New York, who arrives here to-day, may address the members.

WILLIAMS COURT ELECT OFFICERS

Over 100 members were present at the annual election of officers of Williams Court, M. C. O. F., in Hibernian Hall, East Boston. These were elected: Chief ranger, John J. McLaughlin; vice chief ranger, Edward Delaney; recording secretary, James A. Callahan; treasurer, Thomas Arthur; court physician, Dr. John A. Hickey; financial secretary, Maurice M. Fitzgerald; junior conductor, M. F. Blewitt; sentinels, F. M. Donahue and James McGovern.

STEAMER 49 DAYS OVERDUE.

NEWPORT NEWS, Dec. 19.—The German steamer Andes, with twenty-five persons on board, is now forty-nine days overdue from this port for Cuanta, Venezuela, and she is to be posted in Lloyds' register of shipping as lost.

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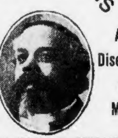

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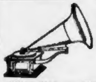

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T70 BOSTON, December 19, 1905.

Notice is hereby given, under Chapter 100 of the Revised Laws, that Joseph W. Rielly and John W. Sullivan, as Rielly & Sullivan, have applied for a transfer of their license of the first and fourth classes to sell intoxicating liquors as victuallers and wholesale dealers "A" from 184 Cambridge street to 172 and 172A Cambridge street and bulkhead entrance, in said Boston, in two rooms, first floor; cellar for stock only, of said building.

THOMAS RYAN, Clerk.

STOVES.

STOVES OF ALL KINDS New and Second Hand ALBEE STOVE CO., 59 Blackstone St.

HELP WANTED—Male.

MEN and boys wanted to learn PLUMBING TRADE. Pays $5 day after completing course of practical instruction at home or in our schools. Graduates admitted to Union and Master Plumbers' Association. Positions secured. Special tuition price to residents of Boston, $25. COYNE BROS. CO. PLUMBING SCHOOLS, New York, St. Louis, Mo., Cincinnati, O. Free catalogue.

EASY TERMS.

DIAMONDS, watches, jewelry, $1 down, $1 week; largest stock, lowest prices, easiest terms; open an account to-day; we will trust you. LENOX JEWELRY CO., 373 Washington st., room 75; open every evening until Christmas.

BACK BAY AUTO SCHOOL.

257 COLUMBUS AV.—Why work for $10 or $15 per week, when you can demand $25 or $35 by becoming a professional chauffeur? Road and repair course $15.

Carpenters, Shippers and Contractors

BRING US your saws to be set and filed, good work, reasonable prices. ALBERT GRIFFITHS SAW CO., 35 Hartford st.

A MAN who can combine the qualities of a woodworker, electrician and machinist with experience on automobile bodies; $20, $25. HOUGHTON & WARE, 364 Washington st.

A RAILWAY MAIL CLERK'S entrance salary is $800; prepare now for next examination for these positions; call 9-12 a. m., or 6 to 9.30 p. m. CIVIL SERVICE SCHOOL, 116 Dartmouth st.

AMBITIOUS young men to learn automobile business, salary $30 when competent. Apply Manager, WALLESTON AUTOMOBILE CO., 223 Pleasant st., Boston.

AN ACTIVE MAN, over 25, education, address, perseverance essential, to work as directed for large N. Y. corporation; remunerative opportunity to right party. DOUBLEDAY, PAGE & CO., 601-602 Old South Bldg.

A LIVE bright young boy, who is not afraid of work; steady work. Write to Y 63, Boston American.

A BOY who wishes to work; no loafer need write; a good position. Y 109, Boston American.

A YOUNG MEN, for firemen and brakemen Massachusetts and other railroads; experience unnecessary; firemen $75, become engineers and earn $150; brakemen $60, become conductors and earn $140; name position preferred; stamp for particulars. RAILWAY ASSOCIATION, Room 237, 227 Monroe st., Brooklyn, N. Y.

BOY wanted; fine chance to learn good trade. Apply Monday morning. THE ARAKELYAN PRESS, 368 Congress st.

BOYS AT Y. M. C. A. EMPLOYMENT OFFICE, 264 Boylston st.—Sign painting $3, wholesale shoes $4, hardware, publishers $3, machine mfg. $3.50, asst. shipper $3.50, asst. bookkeeper $4, brokers $4, mfg. $4, office $20 mo., insurance office $4, shoes $3, messengers $4, office $5, brokers $3.50, printers $3.4, millinery $5, wh. stationers $4, wh. upholstery $4, wh. grocers $4.5, learn plumbing $4, rubber $5.

COYNE'S BOSTON PLUMBING SCHOOL—All practical work; instructors licensed plumbers; day and evening; send for catalogue. 121 Haverhill st., Boston.

EXPERIENCED toolmakers, operators for testing automatics and machinist for the erecting department wanted by WINDSOR MACHINE CO., Windsor, Vt.

HALL'S BARBER SCHOOL, 814 Washington st., Boston—30 first-class lady and gentlemen barbers; shaves 2c. to 15c., haircuts 3c. to 25c.

HONEST MAN to learn provision business, $15 per week, also ½ profits, must have small capital to invest. P 124, Boston American.

LADIES and gentlemen wanted to do work at home for our special order department. For interview address P 81, Boston American.

MEN wanted to take our automobile course on building, repairing and road work, the largest and best equipped school in the country, day and evening classes; call or write. HUB AUTOMOBILE SCHOOL, 105 Freeport st., Dorchester.

PERSONS everywhere to distribute samples; $20.00 weekly and expenses. Address "Manager," 4 Wells, Chicago.

WANTED—A good partner with good references to go hunting with a gun and a dog. H 21, Boston American.

WANTED—At once, 2 or 3 first-class jewelry repairers. No. 21 Bromfield st., room 402.

WANTED—First-class travelling salesmen, New England States. MONEYWEIGHT SCALE CO., 111 Summer st., distributors Dayton Computing Scales.

WANTED—Experienced coat makers on Calendered Clothing. AMERICAN RUBBER CO., East Cambridge.

WANTED—A man, having large acquaintance. Interview Mr. R. OSBORNE DALTON, 141 Milk st., Boston.

WANTED—At once, 2 or 3 first-class jewelry repairers. No. 21 Bromfield st., room 402.

WANT to loan money on pawn tickets. GORMAN'S, 179 Tremont st. Buy tickets run out.

WANTED—Man on truck farm by the year, give age and nationality. Lock Box 24, Vineyard Haven, Mass.

WANTED—Single man to travel with crew demonstrating in New England, expenses advanced. Call at Sagamore House, Room 38, Lynn, Mass. WILLIAM C. KIMBALL.

WARPERS—Experienced, fancy work, using dresser and small spools, wages $16.00 per week. GIRARD WORSTED CO., Howard and Huntingdon sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

WANTED—For the U. S. Marine Corps, able-bodied unmarried men, between 21 and 35, of good character; must speak, read and write English, and be citizens of the U. S. Marines serve at sea on men-of-war in all parts of the world and in our island possessions, and at naval stations in the U. S. Apply at 98 Court st., Boston.

WANTED—2 men with experience and ability to handle a special proposition in Boston and vicinity; commercial and insurance men will do well to investigate. W. J. HAMILTON, room 305, 120 Boylston st.

WANTED—Two men for permanent positions outside, $15 per week, with a chance of advancement to the right men; references. Room 8, 550 Mass. av., Cambridge, Mass.

WANTED—An active man of good appearance familiar with cigar, drug and novelty trade, both retail and wholesale, for an excellent novelty. S., P. O. Box 1816, N. Y.

YOUNG MEN wanted at once to learn cutting and tailoring; cutters earn from $18 to $40 per week; "the best trade" in existence for a young man to learn. For particulars write to THE S. SCHOOL OF GARMENT CUTTING, 241 Tremont st., Boston, Mass.

SITUATIONS WANTED—Male.

AN ACCOMPLISHED GENTLEMAN as reader at banquets and entertainments, monologist, will entertain lodges, clubs, at concert, musicales; highest references. N 155, Boston American.

A GENTLE, well-educated, agreeable companion, an accomplished singer and reader, an entertainer, wishes to be a companion and friend to an invalid. C 106, Boston American.

A POSITION as inside man, generally useful, understands waiting on table, in small private family, good references. W. H. M., 14 Holborn st., care Miss Thatcher.

A POSITION as housekeeper at $20; strictly high-class work. MR. WARE, 864 Wash. st.

A FIRST-CLASS washer in laundry wants job. 579 Tremont st.

SHIPOWNERS—Wanted by a Maine man of middle age, chance as shopkeeper or watchman; best of references; wages no object. Address WATCHMAN, 101 Homer st., East Boston.

SITUATION WANTED—By blacksmith, stonemason and stone cutter; excellent recommendations. 184 Northampton st.

WANTED—By young man, position as night watchman or some other light employment. Best of references. Address J. H. E., 106 W. Fourth st., So. Boston.

WORK WANTED—Man with horse and wagon, delivery, expressing, etc.; for holiday week or steady. W. FOX, 561 Columbus av., suite 1.

SITUATIONS WANTED—Male.

WOODWORKER wants situation as 1st class planer man. W. L. C., 672 Harrison av.

WANTED—By an elderly man, light employment; low wages. V. R., 5 Otis place.

WANTED—By temperate man, position as janitor. V 172, Boston American.

WORK by day or hour. Call at 121 West Canton st.

YOUNG man with 3 years' exp. wholesale liquor store as bottler, packer and labeler and general work. E. LIVINGSTON, 7 Swallow st., So. Boston.

YOUNG MAN wants position as hospital attendant or take care of old gentleman. K 78, Boston American.

YOUNG MAN, 22, honest, willing worker, desires steady position. HIRSCHEURTZ, 69 No. Margin st.

YOUNG MAN would like position where he can earn honest living. F. A. P., 16 Linwood sq., Boston.

HELP WANTED—Female.

100 Girls Wanted at Once

TO LEARN DRESSMAKING AND MILLINERY
CUT OUT THIS AD.

IT IS WORTH $5 CASH TO YOU, AND IF PRESENTED ANY TIME "THIS WEEK" will be accepted as a $5 cash payment on full course tuition fee in either the dressmaking or millinery departments of our college. "COME NOW FOR POSITIONS." "NO CLASS TEACHING." "REGULAR MATERIALS" used in teaching. REMEMBER, we teach a "PRACTICAL TAILOR METHOD" of cutting. Don't waste your time and money in learning freak brass drafting machines and punctured charts. If they were any good "TAILORS" would have adopted and used them years ago. Be sure and send for our circular before deciding what school you will attend. DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY to learn the best "TAILORS' SYSTEM" in existence, and save $5 cash on your tuition fee. "COME NOW FOR MILLINERY." BOTH DAY AND EVENING SCHOOLS. Call or write for information at once. THE LADIES' TAILOR DRESSMAKING AND MILLINERY COLLEGE, 241 Tremont st., Boston, Mass.

GREEN STAMPS

FOR SALE—$1.75 per 1,000. AMERICAN STAMP EX., 339 Wash. st., room 2A.

A BRIGHT active lady for special work, Boston and vicinity. Interview MR. LIND, 601-602 Old So. Bldg.

ACTRESS—Unquestioned ability, teach lessons, 50c., 1 to 3 p. m. Suite 2, 1460 Washington st.

A GIRL to learn dressmaking and assist with light housework, good home and pay. PAULINE, 228 Tremont st., rm. 14A.

AT 514½ TREMONT ST.—Swede, Scotch, Irish, housework, order cooks, waitresses, chamber, laundry, kitchen, green girls; male help.

COLORED LAUNDRESS—One day each week; must understand washing flannels, also some cleaning. Call 29 Central st. (off Broad st.), rm. 15.

COME, girls, I have plenty places, good wages, help all them. 23A Blue Hill av.

CAPABLE girl or woman for general housework, family of 4. Apply 351 W. 4th st., South Boston.

GIRL for general housework in family of three adults. 49 Beals st. (off Harvard st.), Brookline.

GIRL to address envelopes. Apply to MR. PEYSER, 17 Exchange pl.

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GIRL for general housework, small family. Mrs. SELLING, 29 Hollander st., off Humboldt ave.

LADIES—Reliable homework, stamping patterns, $1.50-$3.00 dozen, fascinating, quickly learned. KELLER, Room 62, 564 Washington st.

LADIES WANTED to learn dressmaking and millinery. Call or address MME. LITCHFIELD, 119 Berkeley st.

WANTED—Someone to buy my porcupine pin balls, three in a bunch, 25 cents; also weeping cap and sleeve protectors of handkerchiefs, 25 cents; cap or protectors 13 cents. Particulars address D 143, Boston American.

WANTED—Energetic lady of ability to represent manufacturer, who has a desire to earn over $12 weekly and expenses; steady position to right party. McBRADY & CO., Star Bldg., Chicago.

WANTED—House to house canvassers; several dollars a day easily made. H 151, Boston American.

WANTED—A middle-aged working housekeeper, good cook; two in family. Call at once. 75 Nightingale st., Suite 2, Dorchester.

WANTED—Experienced girl core makers. E 28, American.

WANTED—A neat, willing girl for lodging house. Call 29 Berwick park, Boston, Mass.

WANTED—Ladies to stamp transfers. Work can be taken home. $1.50 to $3 dozen. 564 Washington st., room 63.

WANTED—Girl to do housework. One who can go home nights. MRS. DIXON, 3 Batchelder Terrace, Roxbury, Mass.

YOU CAN make extra money by recommending people to order garments of a first-class ladies' tailoring establishment; prices reasonable. N 157 Boston American.

YOUNG GIRL to help at housework and part care of baby; $1.50 weekly, suite 2, 11 Dalton st., Back Bay.

SITUATIONS WANTED—Female.

AMERICAN HOUSEKEEPER, very capable, desires position about Jan. 1st, in small American family, living near Boston, Lynn preferred; state full particulars. Address MRS. G. TURNER, care Carrier Eight, Nashua, N. H.

AMERICAN WIDOW would like situation as working housekeeper in small lodging house. N 158, Boston American.

AN AMERICAN woman would like a situation in widower's family, where honor and capability are appreciated; city preferred. L. W., 3 Wheelock pl., Dor.

A MIDDLE-AGED American lady would like a situation as working housekeeper in a widower's family. Address MRS. ADAMS, Station A.

A YOUNG Danish girl wishes housework, speaks no English. Call 1301 Tremont st., Roxbury; tel. 857-7 Rox.

COMPETENT COLORED WOMAN would like fine laundry work at home or out, or cleaning flats, offices, etc. 37 Greenwich park.

CAPABLE cook and second girl, together or separate; good ref. 23A Blue Hill av.

COOK—Exp., good refs., wants position, hotel or boarding house. MISS NELSON, 708 Tremont st.

GENTLEMEN'S MENDING—Miss Reynolds, 390 Columbus av., near Dartmouth st.; hours 10 to 7.

SITUATION as housekeeper by an American widow, 48 years old, in a widower's adult family; neat, good cook, economical, and capable of taking full charge; a good home and fair wages expected, city or country. G 140, Boston American.

SITUATION WANTED by first-class cook, city or country. 11 Conant st. place, Roxbury.

SITUATION WANTED—By an experienced stenographer; good references. Write MR. WARE, 864 Washington st.

TRUSTWORTHY young lady would like position to care for aged person. D., Box 45, East Kingston, N. H.

WOULD like washing to take home and day's work. MRS. W. M. EDWOODS, 65 Ruggles st., suite 2, city.

WORKING HOUSEKEEPER—Experienced, good cook; best of references. W 44, Boston American.

WANTED—By a young woman, cleaning in a building. E. M. E., 103 Myrtle st., city.

YOUNG WIDOW, with a family to support, wants work in evening from 5 to 12 in restaurant or business men's club room. K 42, Boston American.

YOUNG WIDOW—Invalid gentleman to board, comforts of home; stamp for reply. C. M. J., Box 47, Barre, Mass.

YOUNG WOMAN, 25 yrs., wants a position as housekeeper, $5 a week, near Boston; Catholic; call at once. H 64, Boston American.

YOUNG AMERICAN WOMAN desires position, housekeeper for widower. MRS. TUTTLE, 4 Concord st., Charlestown.

YOUNG WOMAN wants place, not afraid of work. 48 Eutaw st., East Boston.

Barter and Exchange

ONE CENT A WORD.

ALL DESKS, fixtures and supplies, offices, stores, exchanged. MASS. MDSE. CO., 30 Kneeland st.; tel.

A FINE OIL PAINTING of John Boyle O'Reilly in trade for collection of postage stamps. P 12, Boston American.

AUTOMOBILE—I want to buy for cash any make of automobile, gasoline or steam, or I will trade a mortgage on real estate for an automobile; send me full description of auto. JOHN M. BARRY, 552 Tremont st.

AUTOMOBILE—I will exchange my 20-h. p. touring car (gasoline), seats 5 people, for real estate in Boston, or a free and clear farm. ALLEN NEWHALL, 343 Tremont st.

FOR EXCHANGE—One-half interest in a patentable household novelty for an automobile. Address H 4, Boston American.

FOR EXCHANGE—Automatic banjo slot attachment for other slot machines. G. P. B., 2810 Washington st.

FOR SALE or exchange for interest in a business, large touring car, carrying 5. G 146, Boston American.

FOR SALE or exchange, several hundred electrotype plates, humorous, 7x9. G 148, American.

GASOLINE and Columbia electric auto, used but little; what have you to exchange? JOHN RICHARDSON, 6 Friend st., Boston.

I WOULD LIKE to exchange my King Poco 6½x8½ camera without lens for a wide angle lens. G 174, Boston American.

NEW 3½ h. p. marine engine to trade for a 2nd hand launch or dory with 1½ h. p. engine. P 32, Boston American.

PNEUMATIC BUGGY, value $75, to exchange for man's fur-lined overcoat, breast 40, of equal value. Box 213, Nashua, N. H.

PRINTING PRESS, Golding hand-lever, 5x7½; exchange; good condition. N 156, Boston American.

REAL ESTATE—I have a beautiful Summer home, located on the shores of Buzzards Bay; this is a high-class piece of property, located right on the beach; house fully furnished, including piano; price $10,000; will trade for any kind of Boston real estate, not too heavily mortgaged. Box 1194, Boston, Mass.

RACING SKATES, nearly new, will exchange for any useful article. Address, D., 32 Buffum st., Salem, Mass.

SECOND-HAND FURNITURE—I have a lot of second-hand furniture in storage warehouse. What have you got to trade for it, or how much cash will you give me for it? J. M. BARRY, 108 Waltham st.

WILL EXCHANGE a good business for real estate in city or suburbs. WM. HUNTER, 128 Tremont st., Room 48.

WILL EXCHANGE banjo or guitar for tent or anything useful. PETE DUGAN, Highland road, Andover, Mass.

WILL EXCHANGE a choice building lot 50x100 feet, near Milton Boulevard, for first-class gasoline launch, 25 to 30 ft., hunting cabin preferred. R 93, Boston American.

WILL EXCHANGE a pair of Whelpley ice skates for a good pair of roller skates. F. A. R., 145 Bunker Hill st., Charlestown.

WILL INSTALL a heating plant of any kind or repair for new or second-hand automobile. HEATING ENGINEER, 6 Friend st., Boston.

WOULD LIKE to exchange full dress coat and vest, size 35, for mandolin or camera. V 156, Boston American.

$25 BABY CARRIAGE, almost new, would like good bicycle for it. N 77, Boston American.

1 MOTOR CYCLE, engine new; 1 complete camera outfit; also screw-tail Boston terrier dog, for any useful article, or best offer. W. K., 78 Vernon st., Somerville.

2-SEATED, leather cover cushion democrat wagon, can be used for business and pleasure, nearly new, everything in good order, worth $75. What have you to offer in exchange? J. K. WINER, 295 Devonshire st.

9-ROOM COTTAGE, in Reading Centre, all improvements; will exchange for well-located farm. S. W. BOWKER, Reading.

BOARD AND ROOMS.

WANT TO HIRE FURNISHED ROOMS?

WE HAVE A THOUSAND to select from in all parts of Boston. Room 28, 34 School st.

IF YOU want to rent your rooms or change boarding places, call. 34 School st., room 28.

IF YOU want to buy or sell a business, see us, NATIONAL REGISTRY BUREAU & REALTY CO., room 28, 34 School st., tel. 3787-2 Main, Boston.

A—24 AND 40 UNION PK.—Well furnished front square and side rooms; tel.; home privileges; all conveniences.

A—350 SHAWMUT AV.—Well furnished square and side rooms for light housekeeping; heat, gas, all conveniences.

A—881 MASS. AV.—Furnished large front attic; also front side room, bathroom floor, h. & c. water, heat.

A—762 TREMONT ST.—Large furnished front, square and side rooms; well heated; all conveniences; price $1.50 up.

A LADY having steam-heated suite would like to board aged lady; good care. MRS. ISABELLA THOM, 641 Huntington av.

APPLETON ST., 52—Finely furnished, well-cared for rooms by the day.

AT 47 ROXBURY ST.—Sunny furnished rooms, also unfurnished housekeeping room, continuous hot water; shop room; minute from Dudley st. terminal.

LADY has nice warm rooms to let to nice people, with or without meals. 20 Union Park st. B 129, Boston American.

LARGE parlor, alcove and square room; gentlemen preferred; steam heat, elevator, suite 5, 119 Berkeley st.

LARGE square front room, sunny; also two desirable side rooms, plenty hot water, reasonable. 17 Rutland sq.

LARGE SUNNY ROOM, with first-class board. 41 Banks st., West Somerville.

MECHANIC requires room and partial board with small private family, economy not so important as home comforts; full particulars. D 122, Boston American.

NEATLY FURNISHED square rooms; also rooms for light housekeeping. 344 Tremont st.

NEWLY FURNISHED ROOMS to let; rent reasonable; side and square rooms. 45 Dover st.

NEWLY furnished rooms to gentlemen, one week free; h. and c. water. 12 Rutland st.

NICELY furnished front bay window room, steam heat, gas, bath, private family, excellent neighborhood, off Dudley st. 16 W. Cottage st., suite 1; telephone 903-4 Roxbury.

NICELY FURNISHED front room, steam heat and bath; all modern conveniences. 359 Cambridge st., suite 3.

ROOM TO LET, with use of kitchen. 36 St. Germain st., Back Bay.

SQUARE and side rooms, 468 Mass. av. Tel. 1164-2 Tremont.

TO LET—First-class steam-heated rooms, 460A Tremont st.; transients accommodated.

WELL FURNISHED square or side room, furnace heat, hot water; in private house; low rent. Apply 1573 Washington st., City.

WARM, choice room, without or with board; lowest rates, at 24 East Concord st.; parlor with piano, central location, all improvements.

1 JAMES ST.—Two front connecting rooms, light housekeeping; front parlor with piano; heat.

2 COLUMBUS SQ.—Large sunny front room, all improvements; also adjoining room.

4 CARLETON ST., off Berwick pk.—2 furnished pleasant rooms, $1.25, $1.50; private family.

5 OXFORD TERRACE, suite 5—Large square room, all conveniences, private family, $3.

5 CARLISLE ST., Roxbury—Rooms for light housekeeping, two minutes from electrics.

7 PELHAM ST.—Well fur. sq. front rooms; h. and c. water; all imp., $2, $2.50.

9 EAST CANTON ST. Large neat, warm front room (1 flight), $3.

11 ALLEN ST.—Off Chambers st., square room, with heat, running water; also side room; all conveniences.

17 HANSON ST.—Square room with heat; price $2.50; up one flight.

21 PINCKNEY ST.—Nicely furnished corner room, 3 windows, suitable for one, $2.50; 3 minutes to State House.

30 WORCESTER ST.—Front square room, h. and c. water; well heated.

41 WORCESTER SQ.—Large, well-furnished, steam-heated, square room, $2.50.

44 APPLETON ST., formerly 55 Dwight—Excellent rooms by day or week; private house.

50 APPLETON ST.—Well heated rooms, h. and c. water; out of town people accommodated.

61 APPLETON ST.—Nice rooms, heat, water, tel.; quiet parties call. 1277-2 Tre.

67 STERLING ST. Furnished, 2 or 3 rooms, with everything necessary for housekeeping; bath floor.

71 APPLETON ST.—Newly furnished, well-heated square rooms to let; also dining room for business.

76 MAIN ST., Charlestown—Furnished or unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping or lodging, from $1.50 up; hot and cold water.

81 WORCESTER ST.—Well furnished front square; also front parlor, with alcove; heat; all conveniences.

100 GAINSBORO, suite 2—Nicely furnished front room, steam heat, constant hot water, telephone; can be seen Sunday till 3 o'clock.

117 APPLETON ST.—Nicely fur. warm rooms, h. and c. water. Tel. 1337-2 Tremont.

523 MASS AV.—Large, well-furnished front side room, large closet; modern conveniences, telephone.

568 COL. AV.—Steam heated rooms, $2.50 up; kitchen and laundry for business or housekeeping.

$2.75, LARGE unfurnished parlor and alcove in second floor, modern flat, steam heat. WHITE, 212 Hemenway st.

APARTMENTS TO LET.

TO LET—Warm, sunny flats, 3 and 4 rooms each. Ohio st., near Pleasant. JACOBY, 5th flat, 2 Ohio st.

SO. BOSTON—Model tenements, 3 and 4 rooms, toilet on each floor, janitor in charge; rents $2 to $... per week. Apply to janitor, 18 West Sixth st. or CORBETT & SONS.

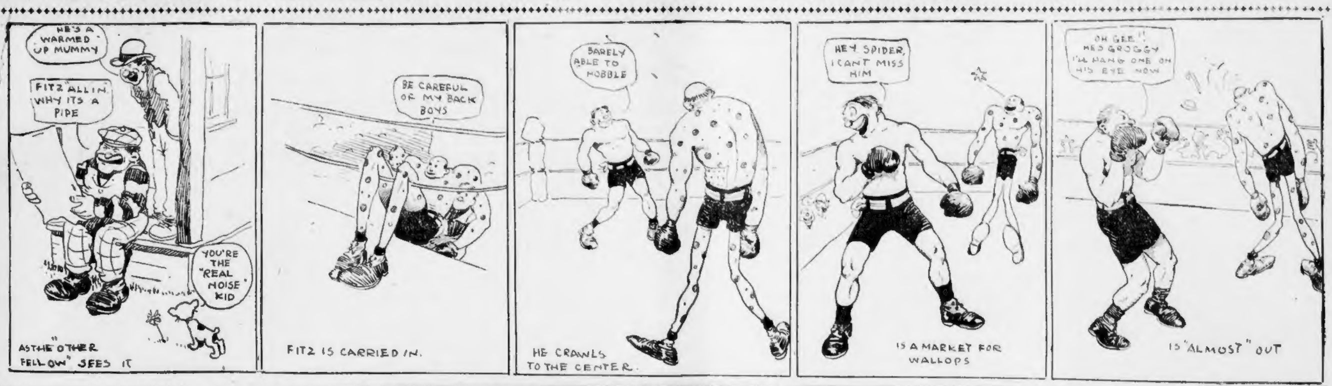
4 and 6-ROOM TENEMENTS—Free till Jan. 1, $2.50 week, best; 25 cents week less for winter months. 56 W. Selden st.

LOST AND FOUND.

FOUND—Pocketbook and bunch of keys. MRS. McKENZIE, 3 Templeton Way, Ashmont.

WHOLE WORLD OF SPORTS COVERED FOR THE BOSTON AMERICAN BY ITS CORPS OF EXPERTS

FITZ SUGGESTED THIS CARTOON IN A LETTER FROM HIS TRAINING CAMP TO CARTOONIST TAD.


HE'S A WARMED UP MUMMY
FITZ "ALL IN" WHY ITS A PIPE
YOU'RE THE "REAL NOISE" KID
AS THE "OTHER FELLOW" SEES IT
BE CAREFUL OF MY BACK BOYS
FITZ IS CARRIED IN.
BARELY ABLE TO HOBBLE
HE CRAWLS TO THE CENTER.
HEY SPIDER, I CANT MISS HIM
IS A MARKET FOR WALLOPS
OH GEE!! HE'S GROGGY I'LL HANG ONE ON HIS EYE NOW
IS "ALMOST" OUT

TERRY HAS POSTED FORFEIT

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—There is a good chance that Terry McGovern and Battling Nelson will yet meet in a six-round bout in this city. The date, however, will not be the one originally selected, January 26, but probably some time in February.

McGovern and his manager, Joe Humphries, arrived in this city to-day and will remain here during the week. Humphries promptly showed that the McGovern party was anxious to settle all details of the match by producing the money necessary to bind the articles of agreement.

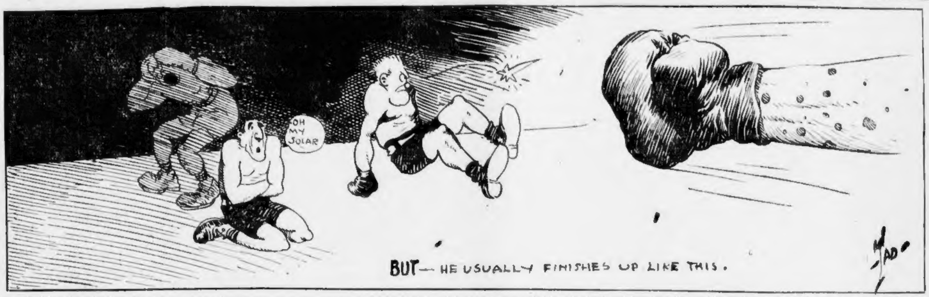
Humphries posted $2,000 forfeit money with T. G. Murphy of the Hotel Scott, and $1,000 to guarantee that he would weigh in at 133 pounds at 6 o'clock on the evening of the bout.

Murphy at once wired Billy Nolan, the manager of Nelson, at Albany, of Humphries's action, and efforts will at once be made to have the rival managers sign new articles of agreement.

Humphries to-day received a letter from Nolan, in which the latter explains why he took down the $1,000 posted as a forfeit last Thursday with Mr. Murphy. Nolan's reason was that it was necessary for him to at once make arrangements for booking Nelson, and upon being notified that McGovern's money was not up he signed Battling for a longer period in vaudeville. Nolan says in his letter that he is sorry the match between Nelson and McGovern is off "for the present." The latter clause is taken to mean that he is still willing to match his man to meet McGovern here.

HAFFORD FOR REDS.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19.—Pitcher Leo Hafford, Somerville (Mass.) star, is under contract to the Reds. He has been for some time, but the matter was kept a secret.


OH MY SOLAR
BUT— HE USUALLY FINISHES UP LIKE THIS.
TAD

JACK O'BRIEN IS FIT AS A FIDDLE

BY W. W. NAUGHTON

By Longest Leased Wire in the World.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—When a well-known horseman heard that Bob Fitzsimmons was using a new brand of pickle to harden his hands, he remarked: "Then O'Brien had better pickle his solar plexus."

If the turfite had seen O'Brien as the writer saw him this morning, he would have thought that O'Brien was heeding the advice. Jack, who had just divested himself of the heavy clothing worn during a couple of hours road work, was in the hands of his trainers. He stood in the middle of the floor while Willie Fitzgerald soused him liberally with alcohol and witch hazel. O'Brien held himself rigidly and the muscles over the stomach stood forth like the ridges on a washboard. And it can truthfully be said that Fitzgerald made a noise like a washboard as he rubbed the hardening mixture on the sinewy ripples of O'Brien's midsection.

According to some old trainers a washboard front is a delusion and a snare, inasmuch as when a fighter is assailed in that particular region he is relaxed from exertion until his flesh is soft as dough.

O'Brien Superbly Trained.

But aside from all questions as to the efficacy of a washboard "tummy" as a protection from pickled fists, it must be said that O'Brien has all the earmarks of a superbly trained athlete. He is muscled all over, and everything about him, from his square jaw and durable looking neck to his spare, though serviceable appearing shanks, betokens careful, conscientious preparation. There is not an atom of superfluous weight on his frame or limbs.

O'Brien is a very serious man just at present. He is alive to what victory or defeat means, and he is not losing sight of anything that is likely to contribute to his chances of success. He hasn't said much as to the plan of battle he has outlined for to-morrow night, but the degree of footwork and fast boxing he has indulged in tells its own story. He isn't going to make barroom fight of his championship tussle with the man of freckles.

Additional Proof From O'Brien.

A remark O'Brien made to-day furnished additional proof that Jack wants all the sea room the law allows when he stands before the Cornishman. It was when some one questioned him as to the size of the ring for the forthcoming contest.

"It will be the full twenty-four feet called for by the Queensbury rules or there will be no contest," said Jack. "I guess that has been attended to, though. The matter was talked over and the promoters know that the conditions are to be same as in all world's championship contests."

O'Brien says it is not because he has any particular fear of Fitzsimmons that he wants the ring the right size, but because he wants to make use of the cleverness and nimbleness that nature and years of ring work have endowed him with. Pugilism, he says, is known as the art of self-defence, and not self-sacrifice.

Fitz's Blows Not So Much.

"I found in my last fight with Fitz that there is a good deal of exageration about the weight of his blows," said Jack.

"He claims to have knocked me out of the ring, but nothing of the kind happened. He didn't even knock me down. I fell twice through slipping on wet spots in the corner that I fought him.

"I am glad to hear that Fitz is in good shape," continued O'Brien. "I see where some of the smart sporting men of the East have selected him to win, but past history in this kind of a thing shows that forecasts are more often wrong than right. So far as Fitz is concerned, he has earned the reputation of a knockout, and it stays with him. I am going to show him that he isn't the only bubble on the beer when it comes to a question of hard hitting. I profited more than the average person would suspect by my former bout with Fitz. I had little or no confidence when I faced him then, whereas I have every confidence in the world now. I feel that to-morrow night's battle will terminate with a knockout, and the face on the floor will not be Jack O'Brien's either."

It is beginning to appear that the grand fettle shown by "Old Man" Fitzsimmons during his concluding indoor work on Sunday is about to revolutionize the betting. Prior to Sunday the poolroom men reported that O'Brien was the favorite of a 10 to 7 market. Today, men like Adolph Spreckles, and Colonel Fulton Berry were trying to locate O'Brien money and failed. It is now believed that Fitz will be a strong first choice before tomorrow night.

HARVARD ELECTION TOMORROW

The announcement of the election of the captain of next year's Harvard eleven, to be held to-morrow, has aroused much speculation among the students at the Cambridge institution as to just who the most likely man for that place is.

There has been a great deal of talk of the probable election of Bert Squires, the big right tackle, as captain, and there is much ground for the belief that he is a very likely man.

Squires is by no means the only man who will come in for serious consideration as captain, however. There will be three regulars from this year's eleven in college next fall who will be seniors: Waldo Peirce, Kersburg, and Junie Foster. Of these three Foster is probably the only one who will receive serious consideration as to the future leadership. But that consideration will be very serious, for Foster is a man of a great deal of vitality and a hard fighter.

There are three other men who will all be thought of, moreover, these being Jack Wendell, the right halfback; Dill Starr, quarter, and Bartol Parker, centre; Parker and Wendell are both very popular and natural leaders, and both are exceptional players. A quarterback is regarded as a poor position for a man to captain an eleven from.

O'ROURKE IN FRONT AT THE END

WOONSOCKET, Dec. 19.—While there was no decision given in the eight-round boxing bout between Charlie O'Rourke, of Cambridge, and Tommy Sullivan, of Lawrence, at the Woonsocket Opera House, the Cambridge lad showed too much advantage, and on form was slightly in front at the finish.

HARVARD BASKETBALL MANAGEMENT SAYS

RANDALL IS INELIGIBLE

Under the direction of Captain Griffiths of the Harvard five and Mr. Schrader, the instructor in the Hemenway Gymnasium, the candidates for the Crimson basketball team are being worked hard every night now in order to get a five into shape to meet the University of Pennsylvania basketball team on the 6th of January.

The Harvard varsity five is now playing with Broun, captain of the 1908 class basketball team, and Kempner, '08, forwards; Amberg of the championship 1908 freshman crew and centre on the 1908 five, centre, and Captain Griffiths and Burnham of last year's varsity five, guards.

This combination has been playing a fast game against the second. Griffiths, Burnham, Amberg and Broun all have the earmarks of star players, Griffiths being a proved player of the first rank. For the fifth place on the team Quigley, who was a sub quarter on the football squad this Fall, and Downey, 1908, are fighting it out with Kempner.

Walter Randall, the former baseball captain, has been declared ineligible by the basketball management, as he became a professional by coaching the Nashua football team this year. Snyder, the former centre on the five and the varsity end rush, has decided not to play basketball this year.

HARVARD GYM TEAM TO MEET YALE FEB. 16

The novice gymnastic meet which was to have been held in the Hemenway Gymnasium to-morrow evening has been postponed until the last of January.

The first meet of the year for the Crimson gymnasts will be that held with Andover at Andover on January 13. The Harvard men have arranged a long schedule this year. This is Harvard's second year in the field of gymnastics, and a determined effort is being made to put Harvard gymnastics on a high plane.

A squad of twenty-five men have been practicing each afternoon in the Hemenway Gym under the direction of Captain Woodbury, C. L. Shrader, instructor in the Hemenway Gym, and G. F. Evans, captain of last year's team.

Harvard will hold a competition with Yale at New Haven on February 16 and with Penn at Cambridge on March 17. The following is the full schedule which has been arranged provisionally:

January 13—Andover at Andover.
January 20—Groton at Groton.
February 3—Boston A. A. at Boston.
February 10—St. Mark's at Southboro.
February 16—Yale at New Haven.
February 23—Columbia at Cambridge.
March 17—Pennsylvania at Cambridge.
March 30—Intercollegiates at New York.
April 6—Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
April 28—New York University at New York.
Final exhibition at Cambridge.

HANLON QUITS RING.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19.—Eddie Hanlon has fought his last battle. He announced his retirement and said he would go into business in San Francisco.

"My fight with Hermann was my last," said Eddie. "I have no objection to the decision, but in my bout with Hermann I was simply not there. I could not put the force in my blows and seemed to have no ginger. I can see nothing for me in this game and will never fight again."

Californian Anxious for a Bout

BRITT IS AFTER TERRY

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Jimmy Britt will fight Terry McGovern before Deady's Club in Philadelphia. He will step into the breach and take Battling Nelson's place as the opponent of the rejuvenated Terrible Terry.

McGovern is dying to fight somebody and rather than see him undergo another siege of nervous prostration the prominent actor and real estate operator of 'Frisco will forego the tame exhibitions on the stage and let McGovern use up his surplus energy in a twenty-four foot ring.

William Britt, the brother of ex-champion Jimmy, gave out the joyful tidings last night in the dressing room of Miner's Bowery Theatre.

"We will post our forfeit of $2,000 to-morrow in Philadelphia," said Willie Britt, "one thousand being for appearance and the other for the weight—133 pounds. The date will be settled later, and it will not be far off. There is a slight hitch in the preliminary papers, but that will no doubt be satisfactorily settled."

Willie said that the fight, in his estimation would be a better drawing card than a go between Nelson and McGovern, as both Terry and Britt are fast fighters and can warm up in the first round and keep fighting as long as the contest lasts.

"In the six round fight between Nelson and Attell," said Willie, "the Battler did not strike his gait until the bout was practically over, and it was then too late for him to display his great ability.

"You will see a very different sort of a fight when my brother meets McGovern," said Willie. "In fact, I think they could furnish the fastest short-distance battle on record. Of course I have no doubt that Jimmy would win, but he would have to be careful if McGovern still possesses his old punching ability.

"As for the stage, it has not affected Jimmy's condition. He is always a careful liver and but two or three weeks would be required to put him in the pink of condition."

WHAT HUB SPORTS THINK OF THE FIGHT

Joe Woodman—I think Fitz will win, and in short notice. O'Brien is hardly in the same class with the veteran, and while being clever, has not got the punch.

Patsy Corrigan—Fitz will cop O'Brien. I have seen the old fellow, and he is as spry as a kitten and has all the confidence in the world.

Eddie Keevin—Fitz should win, and inside the limit. There is still a good fight left in him, and he was always better than O'Brien.

Paddy Minnihan—Jack O'Brien ought to beat Fitz. The latter is too old, and his age is against him. It is not the Fitz of old who will fight.

Johnny Noonan—Fitzsimmons will win inside of six rounds. If the bout should go longer, then O'Brien has a chance.

Jack Leonard—Fitzsimmons for mine. He still has the punch, and when it lands it will be all over with O'Brien.

Jimmy Walsh—It looks like Fitzsimmons to me, as he is a terrific hitter and will be too much for O'Brien.

Frank Kaveny—Fitz is good enough for me. He will draw O'Brien in and nail him before the fight has gone far.

Johnny McGhan—Fitz looks like the winner. He will have to cut the bout short to win out, though.

Billy Pierce—Fitz should be the winner, and in quick time. O'Brien may be clever, but Fitz is too foxy to let him get away.

Tom McCarthy—O'Brien is the cleverer, but I think Fitz will win just the same.

George Dewey—If Fitz gets the punch over it will be all off with Mr. O'Brien.

Patsey Sheppard—Fitzsimmons will surely beat O'Brien before the end. O'Brien is a foxy one, but he hasn't the punch to beat the old fellow.

Denny Kelliher—O'Brien has the advantage in age and should win the decision easily.

Tom Early—O'Brien is my choice, for he will be able to take any kind of blows Fitz can hand over with those bum mitts.

Joe Martin—Fitzsimmons will store O'Brien away early, but if he doesn't, O'Brien should win, as Fitz's hands are likely to give out if they work overtime.

Joe Conley—It should prove a great fight. If it goes the limit O'Brien should win. If not, Fitz is my choice.

Frank Mack—O'Brien for me. He will prove too clever for Fitzsimmons.

Billy Beatty—Watch old Fitz and if you've got any money to lose just put it on the Philadelphian.

Billy Bluns—I shall put my money on Fitzsimmons. I can't see where O'Brien will have a look in.

Fred Smith—O'Brien will win on points.

George Thelsan—Fitzsimmons will knock O'Brien out. It's a cinch bet.

Anthony Williams—O'Brien will win inside of twenty rounds by a knockout.

News and Notes of the Bowling Alleys

In the Suburban Interclub match between the Oxford and Highland Clubs at Melrose, Writley of the former quintet rolled a single of 142 and a total of 341. Oxford made a 537 team single and an aggregate total of 1,529.

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In the Amateur Boston Pin League, Newtowne, on its own alleys, won three straight from the Winthrop Y. C. The winners put up 1,426 for a total.

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The Columbian five did the best work in the Insurance League, with a total of 1,310. This aggregation won three straight from Boston. Phelan & Russell won three straights from G. O. Carpenter, and Field & Cowles captured two from J. C. Paige.

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In the Tricounty League, Oxford triumphed in three games over Highland, and Kenwood dropped one game to Review.

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Two-in-three victories were the order in the Commercial League. Faneuil won from Federal, and Lamson from Curtis.

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Faulkner was the high man in the Commercial series. He had a total of 582.

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Two records were broken in the 'Phone League by the Traffic quintet, putting up a single of 480 and a total of 1,377.

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In the Telephone League matches Traffic blanked Auditors, and Construction won the last two games from First Suburban.

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Some interesting bowling matches are seen nightly on the Murray & Irwin alleys, Washington street, near Dover.

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Three straight was the rule in the Chamber of Commerce matches. Feed won from Flour, while Hay forfeited to Grain.

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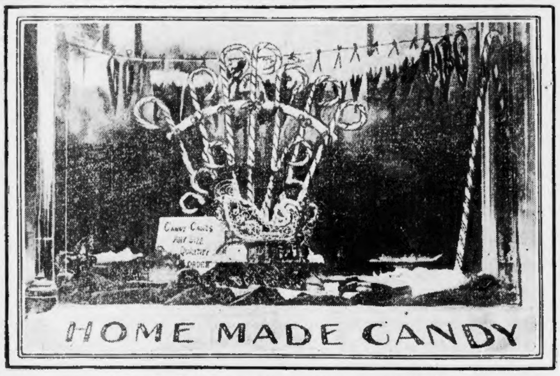

SOME OF THE CANDY CREATIONS IN BOSTON STORES

CHRISTMAS and candy! Two names that are inevitably linked together.

Why, Christmas wouldn't be Christmas at all without the candy toy dogs and cats and lions and big canes. And wouldn't it be a queer stocking that had no Christmas candy in it on the morning of all mornings?

The barley toy candy is already in a Tremont street confectionery store. There are big red and yellow lions, "moo" cows, "choo-choo" trains, dogs, cats and horses.

Right in the centre of the window is a big chocolate sleigh trimmed with white frosting. This would make a pretty centrepiece for the Christmas feast table.

Then there are the big canes. One can buy candy by the yard, for some of these red and white striped canes are two yards long.

Men in the big candy stores are busy just now. The barley toy candy is all made in wooden moulds. Into a mould of a dog or cat hot syrup is poured, and when it dries there is an exact reproduction in transparent candy.

What to Buy and What to Make for Christmas Gifts

It Is Not Too Late to Win One of the Daily Cash Prizes for Best Hints for Presents

HAVE you won one of these daily cash prizes for best suggestions for Christmas presents? Have you sent in your letter?

If not, you would do well to busy yourself about it. It is not too late even now, although the hurry and bustle of "Christmas week" are upon us.

Tell Santa Claus what you have made and what bargains you are finding. New ideas are what count.

Every letter is carefully considered and the best are published. From those printed each day the prize winner is selected. The lucky contestant receives a prize of $2.

The following letters indicate what Santa Claus wants. Make your letters short. Write on one side only of the paper and address Santa Claus, BOSTON AMERICAN, 80-82 Summer street.

HOME-MADE GIFTS

FOR mother I should make a large work apron and oversleeves to match.

Father would like a newspaper holder made of a piece of cardboard, which you can get at any grocery store, which comes between cracker boxes; fold over lengthwise and sew at top and place two brass rings to hang by. Now cover the outside with figured crepe paper and suspend with ribbon; line with white tissue paper.

Grandma needs a footstool when she knits or sews for the family. Take seven tin tomato cans for a large stool or canned salmon cans for a small one. Wrap each can in a piece of a sheet, sew firmly and then sew all together; cover with cotton batting, cover top and sides with cretonne, a piece of oilcloth for the bottom and bind the edges with red braid.

Baby sister or brother will need a warm little crib quilt made of odds and ends of prints or some worsted pieces and tied with odd bits of baby ribbon or yarn.

A pretty and useful gift for a young man is a picture such as the top of an art calendar or a cabinet photo of one's self or friend; cut out pieces of tissue paper the desired size and sew to the back; make a rosette of ribbon to cover the sewing and suspend by ribbon. The young man will need this when he shaves, and will be pleased.

A useful gift for a young lady, and one a young man can make, is: Take a bottle six inches long; buy a nice ladies' handkerchief with lace edge, and two and one half yards of baby ribbon. Place the bottle in the centre of the handkerchief and draw tightly to the neck of the bottle, tie with the ribbon and leave loop for hanging; tie the rest of the ribbon in a bow around the bottle one and a half inches from the bottom. Pull the corner of the handkerchief out to make a ruffle.

MRS. E. S. PADLOCK.
Weare Centre, N. H.

HELP SALVATION ARMY

THIS is my way of spending $5 for Christmas presents:

Mother, nice tablecloth	$1.50
Father, pair overshoes	1.50
Sister, pocket book	.25
Brother, necktie	.25
Grandpa, pair mittens	.50
Grandma, two pairs woolen stockings	.50
Total	$4.50

As you pass the man with the Salvation Army box drop in the remaining fifty cents, and you will feel happy.

MRS. JANE SCOTT.
No. 48 Eutaw street, East Boston.

EASY TO MAKE

FOR FATHER, or any man in the family, a set of small boxes, made of cardboard, covered with small-figured chintz or silk and bound with ribbon; one just the size of collars as they come from the laundry, another long and narrow for cuffs, and another square and deep for handkerchiefs; perhaps, even, a very long and narrow one for neckties.

Another useful gift for the man who shaves himself is a shaving case. Holly leaves are tinted on green cardboard, and then cut out; a bunch of berries is cut from red cardboard and outlined with gold paint, and all are mounted on pink sheets of green tissue paper and tied together with a bow of scarlet ribbon. This forms a unique and attractive shaving case.

For a housekeeper a small apron, made of gray denim, bound with red braid, with very large pockets to hold clothespins. This would be acceptable to mother, if she does her own washing.

MRS. F. N. POND.
Lock Bax 24, Holden.

PRACTICAL GIFTS FOR $5

Best girl, burnt leather card case	$1.00
Young man, suspenders in fancy box	.75
Mother, two pretty tray cloths	1.00
Father, cap for winter weather	1.00
Grandma, two nice outing flannel skirts	1.00
Baby sister or brother, box of Christmas handkerchiefs	.25
Total	5.00

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No. 25 Bartlett street, Beverly.

FOR EVERYBODY

FOR lady friend (if Catholic), a nice rosary or prayer book; if not, a Bible, a nice back comb or hair receiver or brooch.

For young man, a plain stickpin with monogram or morocco pocket diary.

For grandma, a pair of kid house slippers, a warm shawl or a knitting set.

For grandpa, a briar pipe.

For mamma, a pocketbook or a pair of real Irish linen handkerchiefs.

For papa, if he likes reading, "The Pit" or some favorite book; if not, a pair of warm stockings.

For big sister, a bottle favorite perfume or an automobile veil.

For big brother, a muffler, a pocket comb or a pair of handmade sleeve elastics.

For little brother, warm gloves, mechanical toys or little silver "knife, fork and spoon."

For little sister, sled, leggings, picture book, or cheap little musical instrument.

For baby, if less than a year, "booties" or a little warm crocheted jacket; if over, bonnet or set of blocks or ring.

All these can be bought for $6.85 of fine quality, but with little cheaper quality it could be bought for $5.

ALICE G. CARR.
No. 254 Main street, Brockton.

Yesterday's Prize Winner

MRS. E. GREIG,
No. 37 B Street, Lowell.

BE FOREARMED.

THE secret of our Christmas shopping is in knowing what we are going to buy before leaving home. If we make out our lists and decide before starting for the stores, we will find it a very easy matter to select the articles we desire, even in a crowded store.

The following is my list. I have made mother's wrapper and trimmed it very prettily for $1; also grandma's apron and caps are my handiwork, as I know how much they both will appreciate my work:

Best girl, brooch	$1.00
Young man, clothes brush	1.00
Mother, flannelette wrapper	1.00
Father, a warm cap	.75
Grandma, muslin apron and two caps	.75
Baby sister (or brother), a bearskin bonnet	.75
Total	$5.00

ANNIE L. GRANT.
No. 25 Shelby street, Worcester.

JACK HARKAWAY'S SON

CHAPTER XXXV.

Turning the Tables

FOR a minute it seemed to Jack that this would be the last time he would ever see the light of day.

The giant, infuriated, strode toward him, a huge axe, which he had caught up from the armor rack, held in his powerful hand.

It was time for quick thinking.

Every possible means of frightening the Chinaman flashed through his mind.

He chose craft.

"But," he said, suddenly, pointing out of the window, "what are you going to do about him?"

The last word he brought out sharp and clear, accenting it with an inflection that seemed full of terror.

Instantly Sung Gow's manner changed.

Letting the axe fall to the floor with a clatter he ran to the window.

"Who?" he said trembling. "Who for the love of your life, tell me?" I see no one."

"Hunston," said Jack. "I just saw him pass the window."

Sung Gow's face was a study in terror.

Abandoning all his fury he ran over to Jack and caught him by the sleeve.

Hunston at Large

"Do not deceive me," he pleaded. "Has he really escaped? Tell me, please—tell me."

Jack knew that life or death depended on his answer.

"If you did not see him yourself," he said, "I cannot help you. My advice to you, Sung Gow, would be that it would profit you more to guard against Hunston's entrance into your place than stand here wailing like a baby. You may be sure that Dr. Benton and I will not let him get out, even if he does come, provided you promise to cease your threats against us."

"I promise," said the giant, breathlessly. "With all my soul I promise. And now, please, go and order the guards to keep him out. I am unnerved."

He spoke in Chinese to one of his servants, and the latter explained to Jack that he had been commissioned to turn the authority of the house over to the white man.

Thus armed, Jack took instant command.

And then one of those curious coincidences that are continually cropping up in the lives of all men who seek adventure took place.

Jack, to go to the next room, had to pass a window, and as he did so he saw a figure crouching outside.

There could be no mistaking it. The attitude, the bright gleaming eyes, the crouch, were all Hunston's.

"Here is real news for our Chinese friend," he whispered to Benton. "Hunston has got out somehow, and is outside the palace now."

Ten to One

"And it's ten to one," said Benton, "that he has already bribed the servants, as I did, and that he will be able to have us all by the throat in ten minutes."

"Not while you and I are running things," said Jack cheerfully, and he started on a run into the next room, where were collected the guards.

Their manner was an instant confession of the truth of the doctor's prediction.

Ordered to go forth and beat the brush around the palace, they obeyed grudgingly, jabbering to each other.

Jack saw at a glance what was the matter and resolved to checkmate it at once.

He pulled his pistol from his pocket called to his side the interpreter Sung Gow had placed under his orders.

"Tell these gentlemen," he said shortly, "that there is a man outside I want. Tell them that if they get him they will be better paid by me than they can possibly be paid by him, and tell them further that in the event of their not bringing him in I personally will see to it that every man of them is shot. I hope they can understand that argument."

The message was delivered.

It was greeted silently, but Jack could see from the faces of the Mongols that they knew he was in earnest.

They started forth quietly and in order, and as each man passed him Jack tapped his pistol significantly.

The house suddenly became quiet.

Outside the wind was howling. A gale had suddenly risen, one of those tropical winds that seem to clear the very landscape, so violently do they blow.

Presently outside there was a shrill cry, then another and another.

The door flew open and a stream of badly scared Chinamen poured through it.

The first three staggered to the middle of the apartment and fell over dead.

"The old rascal has got some new game," muttered Jack, and despite the efforts of Benton to restrain him darted out of the door and into the darkness.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

By Beatrice Fairfax

Be an Optimist; Let All the World Share Your Joys, but Keep All Your Sorrows to Yourself

By Beatrice Fairfax

NEVER trouble trouble till trouble troubles you.

Most of us are too much given to worry.

We worry too much over the everyday trifles that when a really big trouble comes along we have not much reserve force left to meet it.

Some people have the happy faculty of rising vigorous over the petty worries of life.

It's a great thing to begin the day with a smile.

If you lose your temper before breakfast you are pretty sure to keep on losing it all day.

A little self-control is all that is necessary; just don't let yourself go.

If some little thing irritates you try and keep quiet about it.

The wear and tear on your nerves created by constant irritation is very harmful.

It soon begins to show in the face, and there is no surer destroyer of beauty than a peevish, worried expression.

When you go to business in the morning go with a determination to be amiable all day.

Give your fellow employes a bright "Good morning." And if things go wrong, try and make the best of it.

Don't get into the way of thinking that every little worry is going to be a landslide of trouble.

Trouble is bad enough without being exaggerated.

And take my advice, and don't carry the worries and ill-feelings of one day over to the next.

Remember the happy hours; forget the sad ones.

Life is short; do, for goodness sake, let us make it as cheerful as possible.

By the readiness with which we meet it one might think worry was our dearest friend.

The funny thing about it is that we actually worry a lot about troubles that never come.

But we are afraid they will, and so we busily make ready for them.

The determination to be cheerful will sweep many worries out of your way.

It is a good thing to hang a cheerful text somewhere in your room so that your eyes will light on it the moment you awake.

That will give you a happy thought to start the day on.

Remember, that the more cheerful you are the longer you will keep young and attractive.

Optimism makes friendship; pessimism kills it.

Let the whole world share your joys, but keep your sorrows to yourself.

If you can't keep the worries out of your life, sweeten them by a sunny acceptance of them.

ADVICE TO THE LOVELORN

By Beatrice Fairfax

LET HIM GO

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

This Summer I became acquainted with a young man with whom I have been corresponding regularly and who visits me frequently.

We had made an engagement to go out together one evening, but on the afternoon of that evening he called me up on the telephone to tell me it would be impossible for him to keep the engagement, as he had to work late.

I excused him, but since that time I have neither heard nor seen anything of him. This happened about a month ago.

As I love him dearly, would you kindly advise me whether or not I should write him?

DESPONDENT.

YOU did nothing to offend him, and so, if I were you, I would not call him up. I am afraid, dear, that he has simply, after the manner of men, found some other friend or changed his mind. In any case, he has treated you rudely. So don't fret over him.

WRITE AND EXPLAIN

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I have been keeping company with a young man for the past few months, and during that time he has been taking me out a good deal, and we never had a quarrel. Last week I went to the theatre with another young man, and my lady friend was with me. My friend has been told about me being out with this young man, so he quarrelled with me and we parted. Do you think it would be right for me to go to him and apologize, as I love him dearly?

BROKEN HEARTED.

WRITE and explain to him that you went with your girl friend as well as the young man, and perhaps he will forgive you. You will find that you can't go about with two men without trouble arising from it. One or the other is sure to hear about it and be jealous.

HAVE A PLAIN TALK

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I am nineteen years of age and have been engaged to a man eight years my senior. At the time we became engaged I was too young to marry, and we decided to wait a few years. But now three years have elapsed and we are just as far from being married as ever. My friends are always teasing me about my long engagement, and it makes me feel miserable when I can't give them a decided answer. He used to seem very anxious for us to be married, but for about the last year he has never mentioned it. I love him very much, and he also seems to think a great deal of me. He has never asked me to his home to meet any of his people, although they live only a short distance from my home. Would you ask him about it, or what would you advise me to do?

ANXIOUS.

I WOULD advise you to have a plain talk. Tell him that you fear there is little prospect of your marriage, and ask him how he feels about it. Also tell him that you feel that he should introduce you to his people. If he cannot give you any idea of when you can be married I think, if I were you, I would break the engagement. It has already been a long one, and there is no use wasting your youth on a shadow.

REFUSE HIM DEFINITELY

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I am eighteen years of age and go to a certain school. In the school is a professor who has told me over and over again that he loves me and wants to marry me. I do not love him, but like him as I do my friends. Should I leave the school or not? I have not told my mother, as it would annoy her.

J. N. E.

TELL him that you do not love him and cannot marry him. Let your answer be decided enough to prevent his proposing again.

HINTS FOR THE HOUSEKEEPER

CALICOES, ginghams and chintzes should be ironed on the wrong side.

Rub shabby leather chair coverings with two parts boiled linseed oil and one part vinegar, shaken well together. Only very little is needed, and the leather must afterward be rubbed with soft dusters till the polish is restored.

Faded carpets should, after beating and sweeping, be rubbed with a cloth wrung out of ammonia and water—a teaspoonful to half a gallon. The cloth should be turned as it gets dirty, and the water frequently changed.

Marble washstands should be washed in warm soapy water, and any stains covered with a paste made of lime and lemon juice. Leave for a little while, then wash off, and if the stain is not removed renew the application.

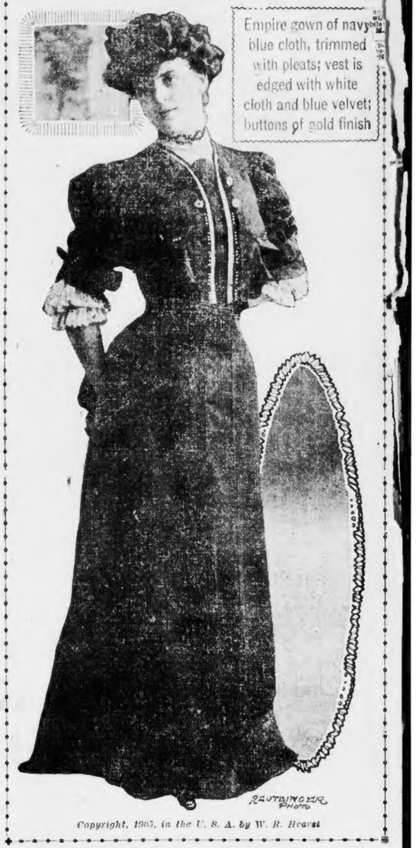
An eminent doctor recommends the following as a cure for sore feet: Alum, three ounces; tannin, one ounce; brown vinegar, one pint; rosewater, half a pint. Mix and apply a little as a lotion after washing the feet.

To prevent bad toenails, never cut the nails below the level of the end of the toe, and do not let them grow much beyond its level. If nails grow in at the side, scrape them at the top and cut them crescent-wise, the depression in the centre.

To keep children well give them an abundance of outdoor exercise, make them regular in their habits, feed them on plain, nourishing food, and they will seldom lack appetite. Have windows open at night for at least four inches.

The housewife who neglects to look after her irons is in much the same position as the man who refrained from waiting to sharpen his saw. After use irons should always be well polished, and if the least suspicion of starch still adheres to them they should be rubbed upon a board on which has been sprinkled a little powdered bathbrick. When rust or roughness attacks irons they must be stood in a bath of paraffin for twenty-four hours; then they should be rubbed with a paste of bathbrick and paraffin, and finally polished with dry bathbrick. Irons should always be kept in a dry place, and never placed face downward.

LATEST PARIS FASHIONS FROM EXCLUSIVE DESIGNS



Empire gown of navy blue cloth, trimmed with pleats; vest is edged with white cloth and blue velvet; buttons of gold finish

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LEARN THE ART OF DRESSING WELL

THIS season seems to offer us everything in the way of style, and one isn't bound down to any particular manner of dressing, for there are things of every conceivable pattern.

Shirts are short and long, hats large and small, coats tight fitting and loose, belts wide and narrow, waists large and small.

In fact, never before in the history of dressmaking has so much been left to individual taste.

Consequently there is a much greater chance for success in dressing, as well as an infinitely larger field for blunder.

The question is asked more than ever before, What constitutes good dressing?

Good dressing now, as always, means the right thing for the right occasion.

The law of the eternal fitness of things is just as much a law in dressing as in everything else, but there is no place where it is more sinned against.

I am not going to be so foolish as to state that money is not an aid to good dressing—money helps tremendously, of course.

But, given all the money in the world, if good taste doesn't go with it, there is no chance of the rich woman being well dressed.

The extravagantly, over-dressed woman is never well dressed.

If a poor girl has taste she can soon learn to make her own clothes much better than anyone can make them for her.

She must study to know her own peculiar style. She must learn what things become her.

But all this takes so much time, you say. Remember that anything that tends to make you attractive is not a waste of time.

And remember also that the only free woman is the woman who makes her own clothes.

Every other woman is the slave to her dressmaker.

The style of dressing for the business woman is practically settled. The only plan that individual taste can be consulted is in the choice of colors, for it is stipulated that the business woman must go in for the plainest sort of dressing.

Above all things, she must look immaculately neat.

Her shoes must always be well blackened, and she should have clean collars and cuffs.

There is nothing that makes such a favorable impression on an employer as neatness.

The society girl has to face an entirely different proposition. She has to get all sorts of gowns for dinners, dances and receptions, but even then the girl who can make some of her own clothes has a tremendous advantage.

And in the social, as well as in the business world, it is the most simply dressed woman who is best dressed.

Unless you have unlimited funds you will be wise if you confine yourself in dressing to one color, and that color not too striking.

Don't buy a thing merely because you think it pretty.

Stop and consider if it goes well with what you have, or will make everything else look shabby.

Above all things, avoid all furbelows, and always remember that dressing, like all the other arts, is at its best when simplest.

CARE FOR BABY'S HEALTH

FOR baby's daily sleep always have the room darkened and well ventilated. It will refresh him far more than if he takes it in a light, stuffy room.

A restless child can often be induced to fall asleep if the bedclothes and pillows are rearranged, or if the pillow is turned and he can lay his head on a cool surface.

A child's daily walk should have some object in view even if it be only the delivery of a message. It helps to give an interest to the outing.

In the country a romp in the fields is preferable to a fixed walk, more especially during the Summer months.

A short-sighted child, besides wearing glasses, should have the eyes and forehead bathed with cold water after reading a book or doing lessons.

When a child has been burnt do not forget that before dressing the injured part some stimulant, such as a little warm coffee, with a drop or two of brandy added in severe cases, should be given to prevent collapse.

Young girls should be encouraged to take up some sport or sports. Boys generally have a natural inclination towards outdoor exercise.

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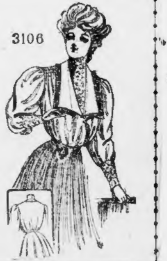

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No. 3,106—Such graceful effects are realized in the surplice modes that the woman who values becomingness is loth to allow it to pass. Many of the prettier of the new season's waists are made after this style and new emphasis is placed on the deep V neck. The supple fabrics so plentiful this year are exactly suited to the soft folds and draperies which form the fashionable bodice. The blouse shown is most gracefully shirred on the shoulders, which provides fulness for the blouse. The neck of the surplice is finished with an easy rolling collar, which may be omitted if desired. This is effectively trimmed with narrow silk plaiting of the same or another tone. The deep puffs may match the chemisette or be of the material of the waist. An albatross, cashmere or challie, as well as any of the soft silks, may fashion this waist. For the medium size 3¾ yards of 36-inch material are needed.

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'FANTANA' HAS EVERYBODY IN HYSTERICS

It is a great thing to be able to say honestly (with your hand on your heart and "cross my throat," too), that you could go to see a certain light opera half a dozen times and yet not get enough of it. It means something, too, when you hear the man back of you—whom you do not know—say, "I do not laugh easily, but if this fellow don't stop I'll simply burst."

But that is the way every person felt who saw Jefferson De Angelis, Toby Claude and the rest of their comrades in "Fantana" at the Boston Theatre last evening. It was a case of being laugh-tired.

When a play has run for an entire year in New York, there must be something in it. If this something were only two songs—"Just My Style" and the new version of "Tammany"—it would be worth going far to see. But there are De Angelis and Toby Claude. They are genuinely funny. You scream the moment they appear. The most laughable moment of the whole evening is when De Angelis, as Hawkins, pulls off his coat and the audience sees that he has ribbons run through the short sleeves of his undershirt, pink on one arm and blue on the other. Then his stunt as the orchestra and his excellent imitation of the acrobatic Creatore during his son "That is Art"—there is material for half a dozen light operas in his act alone.

Toby Claude, that diminutive bit of femininity who acts the cockney girl to the life, puts a lot of ginger into "Fantana" also and her dances and songs with Hawkins are encored and encored until it seems as if they would faint, and they have to beg off.

Then, for full measure, there is spread before us the loveliness of Julia Sanderson—heralded as the ravishingly beautiful girl who has risen from chorus girl to star. She is sweet, attractive and interesting rather than phenominally beautiful, as we have been led to expect, and if she could only sing and act she would be more valuable to the cast.

The male members of the cast are too light in voice to greatly impress. There isn't a good singer among them, except William Blaisdell, the French count. Hubert Wilkes, as the commodore, looks more like the younger brother of Fantana than her father.

Stage Manager Miller has given the sponsors for other light operas many points in his stage settings and costumes. The color schemes in the Japanese scene are very beautiful indeed, and the lantern dance is unique. All the music is lively and the chorus well trained. Of the songs, "My Rickshaw of Bamboo," "Laughing Little Almond Eyes," "My Word," "Darby and Joan," and "The Song of the Pipe" were the best, aside from the two mentioned above. "Fantana" is here for only a brief period. Every seat in the big Boston Theatre was filled last evening, and many stood up at the rear.

REAL THRILLER HERE IN 'LIFE THAT KILLS'

"After the harvest comes the reaper" is the story of "The Life That Kills," the sensational melodramatic offering at the Grand Opera House this week. It is a thriller in four acts. Its sub-title is "The Greatest Scoundrel in New York."

Love forms the basis of the story. The action is rapid, the heart interest strong, and, of course, everything comes out right in the end, although at times it looks pretty shaky. With such characters as Ikey Cohen, the Jew, and his Irish wife, Mary Ann, Jakey Schwartz and his Bowery sweetheart, Liza, there was plenty of fun.

ADE'S NEW COMEDY GOES ITS MERRY WAY

Joseph Wheelock, Jr., is now a prime Boston favorite. A splendid audience at the Park Theatre ushered in another week of his triumphant engagement in "Just Out of College." This newest comedy by George Ade goes the merry way of "The College Widow" and "The County Chairman," and one laughs uproariously over the travesty on the pickle business and railroad station business.

Mr. Wheelock as Edward Worthington Swinger, whose self-assurance is larger and more impressive than his name, and who seems to know what he wants without knowing the timidity that prevents his asking for it, is droll and whimsical to a degree.

"LEAH KLESCHNA" ENTERS LAST WEEK

Mrs. Fiske and her Manhattan Company in "Leah Kleschna" began their last week at the Tremont with last night's performance. It is a performance well worth seeing, and admirable from every viewpoint. The play is full of action and tells an interesting dramatic story.

Mrs. Fiske and her associates act it in superb fashion. John Mason, George Arliss, Frederic de Belleville and William B. Mack all contribute fine performances. The lettuce field scene in the last act is a beautiful example of the scene painter's art.

ALL WEAR THE GREEN AT THE COLONIAL

They all wear the green at the Colonial Theatre this week, for "The Rogers Brothers in Ireland" is the musical play there, and the only thing that are not Irish are the two German stars. Everything else tells of the old sod, even to a genuine Irish piper, who drones forth melodies like nothing else in the heaven above or in the earth beneath.

This is the last week of the run here.

JOLLY OLD SPORTS TO MAKE A WEEK OF IT

"Jolly Old Sports" are visible anywhere at any time, but the jolliest have come this week to the Palace Theatre, to make a week of it. The sports are all included in "The World Beaters" company, but Phil MacFarland, Caspar Nowak and May Gebhart are the sportiest ones. The skit they present is really funny.

In the olio are the DeForest sisters; Bohannon and Corey, in illustrated songs; MacFarland and MacDonald; Quigg, Edwards and Nickerson in a musical act; Niblo and Spencer. The closing burlesque, "All at Sea," is original and clever.

ROSE SYDELL HAS MANY QUEENS BEAT

Although not so airy, fairylike as of yore, Rose Sydell still has many a burlesque queen beaten so far as winning vitality, jolly singing and catchy ways. Her coming to the Lyceum this week with the "London Belles" furnished an excuse for a packed house at each performance yesterday. Rose is really the prize winner of the season.

Her olio consists of Relyea, the physical culturist, Carnella and Shirk, the Westons, the Bijou Comedy Trio, W. S. Campbell and Jimmy Mack. The chorus this season is much better than the average.

COSSACKS DRILL AT AUSTIN & STONE'S

Again yesterday audiences which filled the museum to the doors crowded Austin & Stone's to see Captain Dimitri's Cossacks. Several new acts were introduced.

The "big sight" of the curio hall was Ben Hur, the monster snake, who on Sunday dined for the first time since August. His dinner included twenty rabbits and several quarts of milk.

FRANCIS WILSON WINS SUCCESS IN NEW DRAMA

When Pere Marlotte, "The Little Father of the Wilderness," came upon the stage, with his pathetic stoop, his gray, lined face, and his straggling white hair, about a quarter of the Hollis Street audience laughed. There was nothing funny in the entrance, nor in the simple, innocent speeches of Trust in God and His Most Christian Majesty of France that followed, yet for five or six minutes the house giggled spasmodically.

That is what it means for a comic actor to change his work. That proportion of last night's audience could not believe that it shouldn't laugh when Francis Wilson walked on.

The three-quarters which did its own thinking grasped almost instantly that they were seeing something new—and soon that they were seeing something very worth seeing.

Francis Wilson—erstwhile comic opera star—has good reason for graduating into serious drama. Richard Mansfield once sang Ko-Ko in Boston. And it is only a few years since E. H. Sothern was doing "The Highest Bidder" and other farcical things. And to balance their successes have appeared the incursions into legitimate of Nat Goodwin and others, who have had to go back to that line of work the Lord intended them to do.

If Wilson can play other things as well as he does "The Little Father of the Wilderness," Austin Strong and Lloyd Osbourne's one-act play of the time of Louis XV., he will not have to go back. For not only is it a very pretty little play, but Francis Wilson strikes the human note strongly in his interpretation of the leading character.

Francis Wilson's priest is delightful. William Lewers does a neat piece of character work as the king, and the remainder of the company fills in a dozen parts very acceptably.

"The Little Father of the Wilderness" is one act in length. "Cousin Billy," which precedes it, is three. "The Little Father" differs from the other in that if it doesn't live more than one season, at least it ought to.

"Cousin Billy" is called a comedy. Really it is a farce. Wilson is extremely good, and works hard with his vehicle, but he starts handicapped, for Clyde Fitch, who rewrote the thing from the French, has never done anything much worse.

May Robson would make any poor part go well. She succeeds with that of the widow, and makes it very human, amid a crowd of mannikins. There is another clever person. He has exactly six lines to say, and his name is Grant Mitchell.

If there we no "Cousin Billy," the evening's performance would be still worth seeing. Francis Wilson deserves all kinds of praise for "The Little Father of the Wilderness."

OLD COMEDY IN NEW GARB AT THE CASTLE

Twentieth century comedies may come and go, but that quaint old comedy of the eighteenth century, "She Stoops to Conquer," goes on forever. At the Castle Square Theatre last night Oliver Goldsmith's famous comedy, produced originally over 130 years ago, strongly exemplified its staying powers and showed that it appeared as strongly to a modern audience as it did to one of the eighteenth century.

It was one laugh from start to finish, and Mark Kent, as "Tony Lumkin," shared the praise from the large audience with William McVay as "Squire Hardcastle" and John Craig as "Young Marlow." Miss Kate Ryan made her first appearance of the season in Boston, and the enthusiasm with which she was greeted was enough to warm the cockles of the hearts of any actor or actress before the public.

"She Stoops to Conquer" will continue at the Castle Square throughout the week.

Contrary to the usual custom at the Castle Square Theatre this season, a performance was given yesterday afternoon. The audience comprised exclusively the pupils and teachers of the high schools of Greater Boston, the performance being the second of the series begun a few weeks ago under the auspices of the Twentieth Century Club.

THREE STARS PLAY "TOM, DICK, HARRY"

As lively and entertaining a production as has been seen at the Globe Theatre this season is "Tom, Dick and Harry," presented by Bickel, Watson and Wrothe, which opened a two weeks' engagement yesterday.

Messrs. Bickel, Watson and Wrothe, the three stars, as the German, the Tramp and the Irishman, are immensely funny and kept the audience in roars during the entire performance. Mr. Bickel's impersonation of the German was especially good.

Harry Bond was very soldierly as Colonel Bluff, and Bessie Clifford, a dainty little woman, who plays Lillian, his daughter, sang "coon" songs and danced with a spirit that won the audience completely.

Frank Gibson sang well in the part of Lieutenant Manley, as did Jeannette Le Beau, as Senorita Riccado, a Spanish spy, and Marquita Dwight, as Mrs. Ella Noyes, a widow who has had four husbands and seeks a fifth.

The chorus work was far above the average. The members are well trained, possessed of good voices and all dance well. The stage settings are attractive and the costumes are beautiful. A feature of the production is the comedy band, introduced in the last act by Messrs. Bickel, Watson and Wrothe, Mr. Bickel making a great hit as the leader.

ALL SIT AGHAST AT ACROBATIC FEATS ON RAIL

With the orchestra players staring aghast, expecting every minute to see two men fall over on top of them, the audience fairly leaning over each other to see the acrobats walk on the edge of the orchestra rail as if in the grasp of "sea legs," two European comedy acrobats, Rosaire and Doretto, did some marvelous stunts at Keith's yesterday. Their sketch is called "The Captain and the Tar," and takes place aboard an ocean liner. They do some of the cleverest and funniest balancing ever seen here.

All the other bills are headliners also. In fact it is an all-round good variety show.

Julia Kingsley and Nelson Lewis have a clever sketch entitled "After the Honeymoon" and the numerous curtain calls were simply a small acknowledgment of the approval with which the audience greeted the act.

Mayme Remington, with her four famous "Black Buster Browns," set the house roaring by their funny antics and songs. The Kitabanzai troupe of Japanese acrobats are wonders. The audience watches in amazement their wonderful feats.

Helen Reimer, in an original character monologue; Fred Niblo, the American humorist, and the Mitchells, whirlwind dancers, make up the balance of the bill.

FIGHT PICTURES PACK THE HOWARD

Fight pictures that are the "real thing" furnish the chief attraction at the Old Howard this week. They picture the great Nelson-Britt battle, on the longest film ever taken, showing 182,309 views. The contestants are life size.

The Howard was packed to the doors and cheer after cheer greeted the rounds. Jack Sheehan was master of ceremonies. Jim Jeffries and Eddie Graney could be seen and every move during the contest is seen as clearly as though it was going on right before your eyes. There is no brutality, however, to be seen. The pictures are shown at 2:30 and 8:30.

Top line specialty in the olio is the travesty team of Fred Ray and Juliet Wood. Others on the bill are Jennings and Renfrew, Tanner and Gilbert, Larkin and Daily, Billy Kinerald, Al Sterns, Fredrick, and the Howard Burlesquers.

BIBLE PLAY A REAL HIT AT BOWDOIN SQUARE

Stock companies which present a different play each week deserve great praise when, in some strong, forceful, difficult play, they outdo themselves and reveal unexpected strength. This is the case at the Bowdoin Square Theatre this week, where their production of "The Holy City" is a surprise because of the uniform thoroughness, careful attention to details and intelligent work of the entire company.

"The Holy City" is one of the most spectacular of historic dramas. It is, indeed, "sumptuous," as the programme states. It follows the Bible story of Jesus, John the Baptist, Herod, Judas and the rest very closely, and attracted an audience that filled the theatre to overflowing.

Some of the costumes and stage settings are gorgeous, but true to history. The scenes represent a spot near the River Jordan, Herod's palace, walls of Jerusalem, gates of the city and a roof garden at Herod's palace.

The cast is one of the largest ever seen at a popular price house. Miss Charlotte Hunt has the leading role of Salome, and is perfect in it. Charles Miller in the role of Marius, J. J. Owen as Herod, Wilmer Walter as John the Baptist—in fact, all were remarkably good in their parts. Pretty Adalaine Mann as Mary Magdalene played a difficult role well.

"The Holy City" is the bill for this week only, to be followed by "Uncle Tom's Cabin," with several new features.

MINOR ACTORS SHARE HONORS AT EMPIRE

When Henry S. Dewey, sometime candidate for Mayor of Boston, was touring the wilds of Dorchester and other outlying wards of the city he was accompanied by Senator Edward B. Callender. In introducing the Senator, Judge Dewey would say: "Gentlemen, Senator Callender is a good man. But this is not a Callender year, but a Dewey year."

In a measure this introduction might serve for any review, any discussion of the work of the players this week at the Empire Theatre, any criticism of the manner in which they are handling Mr. Gillette's adapted comedy, "Because She Loved Him So." This is not a week for the "stars," the leading men and women, so-called, but the week in which those members of the company who too often have no opportunity to hold the centre of the stage are allowed to twinkle in the firmament.

Howard Hansel, Mary Hall, Mary Sanders and several of the other leading members of the company had twinkled many times in the past, and well enough to prove their worth, their ability, their versatility. It is no injustice to them, therefore, that this space should be devoted to those other members of the company who too often are grouped by the critic under the head of that much abused phrase, "the support was good."

Frank Losee was Mr. Weatherby and Gertrude Berkeley played the part of his wife. Experienced, capable, sympathetic, are both. Their mock quarrel was excellently done. The light juvenile comedy role of Thomas Weatherby was played by Edwin Nicander. He was just boyish, excited and enthusiastic enough to be natural.

Zeffie Tilbury, with a most realistic gift of "broken" English, played the part of the Spanish woman, playing opposite Edward Marsh, whose makeup reminded one of an absent-minded old botanist. The glimpses one had of Rose Morrison, as the servant girl, of Marion Longfellow, who spoke not a word, showed that they had carefully studied their parts. Oliver West was played by Mr. Hansel, and Mary Hall played the part of Mrs. West.

"KING OF KOKOMO" THE HIT OF SEASON

Breezy and bright, and full of good cheer is the "King of Kokomo," which the "Miss New York, Jr.," Burlesquers presented at the Columbia Theatre yesterday afternoon and evening. The farce is bubbling over with merriment and one laugh is followed by another still heartier.

Some splendid vaudeville acts were introduced by the Wlota Trio in Hungarian songs and dances, the Boston City Quartette, the Gagnouxs, peers of any juggling team seen in Boston this season; Bandy and Wilson, dancers; and Hayward, Farrell and Hayward.

On Friday night amateur volunteers will be on hand to contest for the two prizes which Manager Farren will give to the aspirants winning the most applause.

"FANTASMA'S" TRICKS PLEASE AT MAJESTIC

Hanlon Brothers' "Fantasma" was the offering at the Majestic Theatre last night and this spectacle, new to Boston, is one of the very best yet presented by these masters of stage tricks and illusions. "Fantasma" tells no new story; it is built along the same lines of all the spectacles. There is a devil, a good fairy, a clown, an old farmer, his daughter, her sweetheart, many girls, a soubrette and the like.

But the story is but to hang the magnificent scenery and much comedy on. It is not particularly essential to the success of the presentation and yet it was well told by the people entrusted with the telling. During the telling, the beautiful scenery was shown and there were comedy divertisements sufficient for any evening's performance.

But it is in the "trick" stuff that "Fantasma" excels. The Hanlons have outdone themselves in this effort. The curtain of the second act gave an illustration of just what could be done along this line, and was received with round after round of applause. The many articles of furniture seemed to be inhabited by evil spirits, and everything "worked but Pico"; he was "worked."

To sum up, "Fantasma," as a spectacle and extravaganza, is a decided success. While not built along any new lines, the old ones are broadened and lengthened by the Hanlons until nothing more could be desired.

The Difference Between Good and Bad Coffee

TO make hare soup, you must first catch your hare. That's what the old cook books said. And it holds good today in preparing most things to eat and drink. For instance, if you want to make a delicious, fragrant and delightfully tasting cup of coffee, you must first have good coffee. Then the rest is easy.

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The Righteous Fall of an Anarchist of Finance.

John R. Walsh of Chicago, president and absolute owner, controller and dictator of the Chicago National Bank, the Home Savings Bank and the Equitable Trust Company, all of that city, has failed for twenty-six million dollars, that being the money of depositors in these fiduciary institutions.

Walsh controlled other institutions. He owned the Chicago Chronicle, a newspaper which he has used ever since its extablishment, some ten years ago, for the purpose of terrorizing and blackmailing corporations and politicians.

In the columns of this newspaper he pretended the highest ideals of journalism and practiced the lowest devices of blackmail, was unsparing of what he called "yellow journalism," and all the time used its political power to compel public officials to deposit money in his banks, to grant to him valuable franchises corruptly, to appoint his tools to places of profit, in which profit he always shared.

He was by all odds during the last twenty-five years the most dangerous and the most corrupt financial force in the Middle West. He was banker, speculator, politician, corruptionist, and is now a bankrupt.

By the methods of the sandbagger he gathered into these various companies twenty-six million dollars in deposits.

What became of this twenty-six million dollars? An enormous amount of it not yet definitely reported was loaned by Walsh the banker to Walsh the speculator. It went into a wildcat railroad, built solely in order to carry stone from a quarry owned by Walsh and bought with his banks' money. It went into suburban gas companies, into trolley exploiting schemes, into everything which was likely to bring money to the pocket of Walsh himself, **THOUGH THE INVESTMENT CAME FROM THE POCKETS OF HIS DEPOSITORS.** But most of all it went into his decrepit, unprofitable, bankrupt newspaper, the Chicago Chronicle, the unsparing foe of honest journalism.

With his newspaper, and through his corrupt alliances with everything in Chicago politics that was evil, dishonest, grafting, **BUT PROFITABLE TO HIM**, he for a long time held the town in terror.

But now has come the inevitable collapse. The structure of credit that he had reared on blackmail and terrorism has gone down in utter destruction. The people whom for years he has threatened, the hosts of citizens whom in the last few years he has ruined by his fierce appetite for wealth and power, can now look on him grovelling in the lowest depths of financial and personal dishonor.

Witte's Burden—Can He Stand Up Under It?

The present condition of the Czar's land is a medley, social, economic and political, such as the world never saw before.

The condition of things in the Netherlands under Alva and the situation in France during the "Terror" were bad enough in all conscience, but in both of those crises there was this redeeming fact—the people seemed to know what they were "driving at," while in Russia there is such chaos as was never dreamed of, even by the classic poets.

From top to bottom, from the Czar down to the humblest Muzhik, there is the commotion that borders close on to madness.

Beaten in a two-years' war as no nation was ever beaten before, the government finds itself to-day threatened with extinction, and that, too, at the hands of its own subjects.

With mutiny in the army and navy, with murder and rapine stalking over the land, with anarchy lifting its fiendish front at every turn, Russia is shaking as it might shake in the throes of a mighty earthquake.

The feeling of peace, rest, security, is impossible anywhere within the bounds of the empire.

The peasant in his hovel and the Czar in his triple-guarded palace are both in constant fear and trembling!

Human life has lost its sacredness; tenderness and pity seem to have forsaken the heart; and the dagger and the torch and the deadly bomb are working havoc everywhere.

Great, indeed, is Witte's burden, and if he carries it successfully through he will go down into history as one of the world's greatest men.

Lessons in Municipal Ownership

XXXV.

Inflation of Gas Capital

By Professor Frank Parsons

ABOUT sixteen years ago a Delaware man by the name of J. Edward Addicks, with a gall in inverse ratio to the size of his State and a conscience in inverse ratio to his gall, came to Massachusetts and got a franchise for the "Bay State Gas Company" (which was practically himself), with a right to issue $500,000 of stock, and no more.

He then, under the laws of Pennsylvania, organized the "Beacon Construction Company" (which was also practically himself, as he owned 14,980 of the 15,000 shares). The Bay State Company (Addicks) then made a contract with the Beacon Company (Addicks) by which the Beacon Company was to build works and lay pipes as specified, and the Bay State was to pay the Beacon $5,000,000, consisting of the $500,000 in stock and a $4,500,000 ninety-nine-year bond.

The Bay State laid its mains into Roxbury and then said to the old companies, "Buy your gas of me, or I'll parallel your pipes and take your business from you." The old companies surrendered, and the Bay State didn't lay the competing pipes on the promise of which it had obtained its franchise privileges.

When construction was arrested, the Beacon Company (Addicks) had expended about $750,000, but the Bay State Gas Company (Addicks) had a meeting (1889) and accepted the said construction in full performance of the contract of the Beacon Construction Company (Addicks) and turned over the $500,000 of stock and the $4,500,000 bond in payment for $750,000 worth of work, thereby capitalizing the Bay State at $5,000,000 on a real value of $750,000.

In the same year, 1889, a foreign company bought most of the stocks of four leading Boston gas companies to the par value of about $5,534,000 and issued tons of its own securities (about $100,000,000 stock and $12,000,000 bonds) on the basis of the Boston gas stocks till the total capitalization resting on the Boston companies was over $112,000,000, against $4,500,000 in 1888—a leap from $4 per thousand of output to about $86 per thousand in a single year, one of the worst cases of dropsy to be found in the history of diluted capital.

An act was passed in 1894 providing for the forfeiture of the charter of any Massachusetts gas company whose stocks or bonds should thereafter be used as a basis for securities issued by a company not organized under the laws of this State.

Yet several years later it appeared that with home and foreign inflation the capital was still $42 per thousand, or more than a dozen times the fair capitalization in this city, which experts say should not exceed $3 per thousand of annual output.

In 1888 the Boston companies had an output of 1,161,000,000 feet and a capital of $4,500,000, or a little less than $4 per thousand of output. In 1898 they had twice the output and twenty-three times the capitalization of ten years before, or eleven and one-half times as much capital per thousand, instead of less, as should be the case with the growth of the output.

A new method of watering gas securities was put in operation in 1897. The stocks of four Boston gas companies, with a par value of $3,505,800 and a certain gas and coke plant of unknown worth, were conveyed to a board of trustees.

These trustees proceeded to issue some $17,500,000 of so-called stock and another $17,500,000 of bonds, using the gas stocks and the coke plant as security for the bonds.

Subsequently, interest on these bonds was defaulted and the trust was reorganized, first with $30,000,000 and later with $50,000,000 of capital stock. As the trust was not a corporation, the charters of the gas companies, whose stock it held, could not be forfeited under existing laws.

THE HALL-ROOM BOYS

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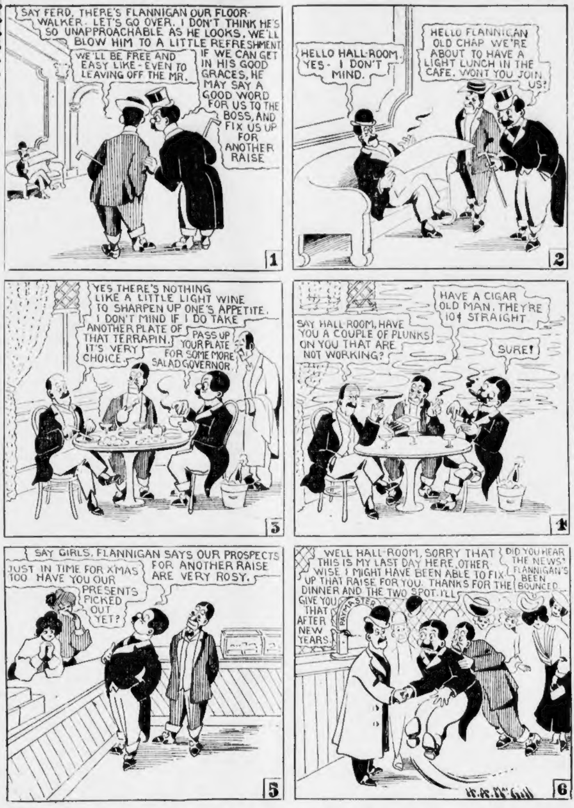
SAY FERD, THERE'S FLANNIGAN OUR FLOOR-WALKER. LET'S GO OVER. I DON'T THINK HE'S SO UNAPPROACHABLE AS HE LOOKS. WE'LL BLOW HIM TO A LITTLE REFRESHMENT
WE'LL BE FREE AND EASY LIKE - EVEN TO LEAVING OFF THE MR.
IF WE CAN GET IN HIS GOOD GRACES, HE MAY SAY A GOOD WORD FOR US TO THE BOSS, AND FIX US UP FOR ANOTHER RAISE
1
HELLO HALL-ROOM. YES - I DON'T MIND.
HELLO FLANNIGAN OLD CHAP WE'RE ABOUT TO HAVE A LIGHT LUNCH IN THE CAFE. WONT YOU JOIN US?
2
YES THERE'S NOTHING LIKE A LITTLE LIGHT WINE TO SHARPEN UP ONE'S APPETITE. I DON'T MIND IF I DO TAKE ANOTHER PLATE OF THAT TERRAPIN. IT'S VERY CHOICE.
PASS UP YOUR PLATE FOR SOME MORE SALAD GOVERNOR
3
SAY HALL-ROOM, HAVE YOU A COUPLE OF PLUNKS ON YOU THAT ARE NOT WORKING?
HAVE A CIGAR OLD MAN. THEY'RE 10¢ STRAIGHT
SURE!
4
SAY GIRLS. FLANNIGAN SAYS OUR PROSPECTS FOR ANOTHER RAISE ARE VERY ROSY.
JUST IN TIME FOR X'MAS TOO HAVE YOU OUR PRESENTS PICKED OUT YET?
5
WELL HALL-ROOM, SORRY THAT THIS IS MY LAST DAY HERE, OTHER WISE I MIGHT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FIX UP THAT RAISE FOR YOU. THANKS FOR THE DINNER AND THE TWO SPOT. I'LL GIVE YOU THAT AFTER NEW YEARS.
DID YOU HEAR THE NEWS? FLANNIGAN'S BEEN BOUNCED.
PAYMASTER
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The Floor Walker Was So Affable and Condescending! Too Bad He Was Fired

IN BUGVILLE

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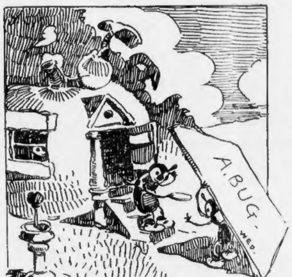
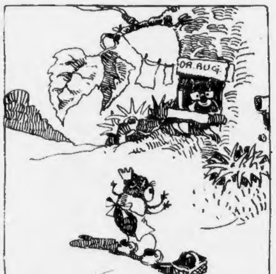


BUTLER—Not at 'ome, sir.
VISITOR—All right. Here's my card. Be careful and don't misplace it!



MRS. BUGHEIMER—Oh, Doctor! A family of mosquitoes have taken the house next to ours, and I've come to be vaccinated!

WHEN THE WORLD IS YOUNG

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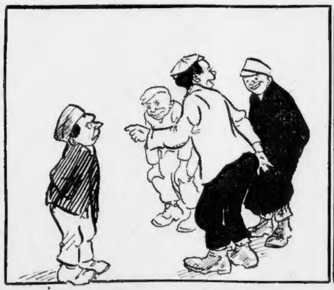
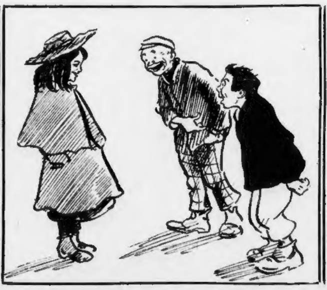
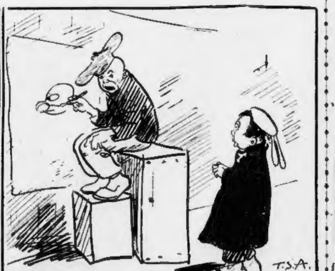


"Hi, fellers, come an' look; Tubbsy here says his fadder is 'Der Man Who Was Lost.'"



"Say, Mag, I want ter interjuce youse ter Mr. Fatty Chump, 'cause he's been botherin' me to, an' den I want youse ter neber speak ter him afterward."



"Kin youse sell it?"
"Naw."
"Den wot's de good of makin' it?"
"Aw, chase yourself! Didn't you ever hear of such a ting as art for art's sake?"

Song of the Storm-Petrel

By Maxim Gorky

Translated by George Jeshurun

(From the Cosmopolitan Magazine)

BETWEEN the ocean and the thunder,
Between black clouds and the gray water,
Speeds and floats and sweeps the petrel,
Before the storm, before the wildness—
Harbinger and mad foreboding.

Now he flouts the black sea water,
Now he stabs into the cloud ranks,
Hurling on them cries defiant,
Cries of war and tempest madness,
Cries of rage and white-hot passion,
And high strains of triumph battle
Upward through his storm-born crying.

Hark the moaning gulls around him,
Hark their shuddering calls of terror
At his fearful fighting paean.
Fain, fain they are to sink and hide them
Far below the rush and wildness
Down to utter dark and quiet
In the caverned ocean shelter,
While the frailest soul, the penguin,
Hides and flutters, weakly yearning
For the rocks to fall and hide him.

But the one free soul, the petrel,
Floats unharmed above the chaos,
Gray with anger, stanch with raging,
While the darkness, growing blacker,
Hangs above the sea-flung mountains
And the topmost, ever madder,
Leap and dash in frenzied laughter,
Toss their curses as to welcome
Crash and hurricane and lightning.

Listen to the rolling whirlwind,
Striving for the sea's uprooting.
Now he grasps with rage titanic
One vast shrieking hell of water,
Dashing it upon the sea rocks,
Where it sinks with one vast moaning
In a grave of tearful whiteness.

And the petrel in the cloud-heights,
The one rival of the lightning,
Scatters down his splendid crying,
Drawing from the very danger
Urge and will to cry forever.

There he's laughing like a demon,
Like a god of all the tempest,
Laughing, calling, crying, sobbing,
At the clouds that strive to veil him,
Laughter mingles with his sobbing
At the storm-wind's futile anger,
He the demon, wily, subtle,
He has long heard weaker singing.
Something tells him not forever
Can the glorious sun be hidden.
Not forever, not forever.

Don't Forget Your Mother at Christmas

By Rev. Albert E. George

WHAT have you chosen to make mother cheerful at Christmas?

She will be so happy to feel that you are thinking of her. Do not be tempted to place her away down on your list of presents, and think that anything will do for her.

You feel you must remember her, and then go off and purchase some little thing that represents no sacrifice.

Do not do this! Show care as well as love in what you have chosen, and gladden her heart for years to come. You do not know how long mother may be spared to you—while you have the opportunity, give her your best interests. You will never regret it.

If you are a daughter, you know particularly what will please her. Something that your own hands have made and into the stitches of which you have sewed thoughts of love.

If you are a son, do not centre all your affection upon that best girl of yours, and put mother off with a box of peppermints, because she happens to be old.

Whatever you give, let it stand for something that will please her and make her think of her boy when he is far away from home.

She really loves you, and you, in your thoughtful mood, know it. So go at once and pick out something pleasing for her.

Nothing on the ten-cent counter will answer, but somthing that assures her that her boy has really thought of her, and even made a sacrifice in giving.

When she is no more, and you have no kind voice like hers to wish that you would come home earlier, and spend a little time in chatting with her before you go to bed, you will then be sorry that you did not think more of her when she was alive.

Then it will be too late, and those cold feelings of regret will pass over you that you did not make her life happier. So while you have the opportunity, make mother happy this Christmas. She may not be here another Christmas to enjoy your attention.

Tell all you have been doing that will be interesting, for she has been thinking of you while away at work, and let her know that you have a Christmas present for her, though keep its character secret till the dawn of that day, and then watch her grateful eyes as she receives it from your hands.

It that not worth doing? Is there any cheer comparable to that which a child gives its mother when it is showing its love by some act of devotion and thoughtfulness?

Oh, make mother happy at Christmas anyway, and make yourself happy by so doing!

Those who in quarrels interpose
Must often wipe a bloody nose.

JOHN GAY.

ART GOSSIP

By Wex Jones

A PROMINENT Senator will soon introduce a bill providing for a tariff of thirty per cent. ad valorem on ideas. Protectionists are disgusted that ideas, some of them worth thousands of dollars in the market, should be admitted free to stifle the infant industry in American art ideas.

J. P. Morgan has imported a painting for which he paid $150,000. A picture at this price should be admired by all art lovers.

Few persons appreciate the true value of the Metropolitan Museum in the development of American art. When informed that the contents of the museum are worth about $7,000,000, most persons are surprised and gain a higher respect for the institution.

Many Americans study art in Europe. Here they gain power that is undoubtedly worth many hundreds of thousands a year. Is it not time the tariff on art objects was extended to include the result of European lessons?

An art education is becoming increasingly valuable in this country. Many of the big manufacturing concerns are beginning to recognize the commercial value of artistic advertising. Artists who sneer at black and white should remember that some operators make $30,000 or $40,000 a year at it.

At Boston's great water color show the most promising exhibit was a study of a head by a young operator whose income is said to be in excess of any other painter's, ancient or modern. Art is booming in America just now. Several prominent millionaires allow five per cent. of their annual expenditures for art.

The tariff on art objects is expected to yield $80,000 next year. Who can say that art is not a force in our national life? An operator in oils, who has been working at the business only three years, has just bought a $250,000 flat building in Harlem. Here is a hint to aspiring young men.

Where yet was ever found a mother
Who'd give her baby for another?

JOHN GAY.